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THE "LLANDOVERY CASTLE," 11,000-TON UNION CASTLE COMPANY LINER, AS REPORTED IN EARLIER EDITIONS, STRUCK A MINE OFF THE SPANISH COAST YESTERDAY, THE SUBSEQUENT EXPLOSION TEARING A GREAT HOLE IN HER SIDE.

NO FURTHER DANGER TO PASSENGERS OR CREW IS APPARENT. THE CRIPPLED LINER IS NOW LYING SOME HALF A MILE OFF PORT VENDRE, WITH THE PUMPS NOW HOLDING THEIR OWN.

A slight bump was felt, the Chief Officer stated, at 5 p.m. G.M.T. when the "Llandoverly Castle" was ten miles off Cape Creus.

EXPLOSION SHAKES WHOLE SHIP

The explosion which followed shook the whole ship and left a gaping hole below the waterline forward.

Passengers thoroughly alarmed, rushed up on deck, but there was no panic. Officers did everything to maintain an atmosphere of calm, though there was some reason for alarm at first before the extent of the damage could be ascertained, or whether the pumps could control the inrush of water which soon began to give the "Llandoverly Castle" a disconcerting list.

Somebody suddenly turned on the radio gram and the tension relaxed, everyone settling down to singing and dancing while the liner's pumps were kept working at full pressure and the captain received a flow of reports on the water's progress.

LIMPS TWENTY MILES

The master eventually turned his ship towards Port Vendre and the disabled liner limped the twenty miles to the port, arriving shortly after 6.30 p.m. G.M.T. (4.30 a.m. to-day H.K.T.).

She is now lying anchored about half a mile offshore, the captain being afraid to bring her in closer because of the danger of a heavier list, causing her to ground.

LIFEBOATS SWUNG OUT

Tugs are now standing by and all the lifeboats have been slung

out ready for any emergency, but it is not anticipated that any further danger will arise.

It is recalled that General Franco recently informed a number of foreign governments, including the British Government that various Spanish ports had been mined.

MINE FROM BARCELONA?

The mine that struck the Llandoverly Castle was probably laid originally off Barcelona, but whether by the Republicans or the Nationalists cannot be ascertained.

French ships have recently re-

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PAINTINGS LEAD TO DEATH

London, To-day.

The discovery of religious pictures in his home led to the death of Don Frederico de Mingo, brother of a former Spanish Minister.

A report to this effect is published in the "Times" in a message from its Gibraltar correspondent, who says that Don Frederico was living in Barcelona in retirement when his house was searched by Government militia. He was taken out and shot.—Trans-Ocean.

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AGA KHAN AND "WANTED" MAN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE RECENT TOUR OF TANGANYIKA TERRITORY MADE BY THE AGA KHAN, LEADER OF THE MOHAMMEDAN WORLD, HAS HAD A STARTLING SEQUEL, SAYS A "DAILY TELEGRAPH" MESSAGE FROM DAR-ES-SALAAM.

An Indian named Ismail Hasman, who accompanied the Aga Khan during his journey and overwhelmed his guest with the most lavish hospitality, has now been unmasked as a man "wanted" in connexion with several large-scale financial swindles.

The authorities have issued a warrant for Ismail's arrest.

The swindler's defalcations were found to be so extensive that a banking crisis has resulted in Dar-es-Salaam, the paper reports.

All local banks have been forced to suspend payments.

The authorities have set aeroplane and motor patrols to work to find the missing man's whereabouts.—Trans-Ocean.

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GINGER ROGERS in**"SWING TIME"****LORD LONDONDERRY
ON VERSAILLES****URGES BRITISH EFFORT TO COME
TO UNDERSTANDING WITH REICH**

(SPECIAL TO THE "CHINA MAIL")

Amsterdam, To-day.

That Great Britain and the world should at last begin to repair the mistakes committed in the Treaty of Versailles is the demand made by Lord Londonderry, the former British Air Secretary, in an article which appears in the newspaper "Telegraaf."

Lord Londonderry declared that the Versailles Treaty was an act of foolishness, which would be unanimously condemned by the historians of the future.

After expressing regret that Britain supported a policy the aim of which was to delay the restoration of equal rights to Germany, the writer points out that Germany's justified demands regarding disarmament were disregarded by the other Powers.

Germany, therefore, he says, was compelled to act without consulting the other Powers.

He then examines the reasons why Germany is so misunderstood by the world.

False Angle

The great mistake an Englishman can make in forming his judgment of the third Reich, he says, is to apply English standards to conditions in Germany.

The time has now come when the diplomatic atmosphere must be cleared, and Britain should offer her sincere friendship to Germany.

Conference Urged

An opportunity for this rapprochement would be offered, he continues, by a conference which would afford Germany an opportunity to state her claims.

The fact that Germany has once more become a great Power should be recognised by Britain, and Britain should strive to establish the friendliest possible relations with Germany, concludes Lord Londonderry.—Trans-Ocean.

**OVIEDO MENACE
MINIMISED****Burgos Claims Attack
Has Been Checked**

Paris, To-day.

Rebel headquarters at Burgos strongly deny that Oviedo has been completely surrounded by the Government forces, according to reports appearing in the Paris newspapers.

Admitting that miners fighting for the Government had done much damage with their famous dynamite squads, the report states that the loyalist advance was checked on the outskirts of Oviedo, which is in no danger of falling.—Trans-Ocean.

DERELICT JUNK

A derelict junk, floating about two miles South of Single Island, in the vicinity of Latitude 22°22' North, Longitude 114°40' East, is reported by the s.s. Seistan, as dangerous to navigation.

Urban districts of Bexley, Erith and Crayford are to combine for air-raid precautions.

**STEEL PRICES
RISE FORESEEN****British Manufacturers
Warning**

London, To-day.

In view of the increasing demand for steel, the British Iron and Steel Association is contemplating to raise iron and steel prices, according to the newspapers.

Reports add that the Government has declared that it cannot place duties on steel, as had been demanded by industries manufacturing steel products.—Trans-Ocean.

**INDIA AT THE
CORONATION****600 Officers And
Men**

The Indian contingent for the Coronation, comprising 600 British and Indian officers and other ranks, will arrive in England about May 3. About 300 will have a place in the Coronation Procession.

The contingent will include:

29 British officers of the Regular Indian Army, the Indian Medical Service, the Royal Indian Navy and the Indian Police;

6 warrant officers and men of the Royal Indian Navy;

176 Indian officers of the Regular Army—one from each unit—and 138 other ranks;

35 British officers of the Auxiliary Force units; and

66 officers and men—six from each of the 11 provinces—of the Indian Police.

They will go into camp in the Home Park at Hampton Court and will remain there until about May 25, when the contingent leave for India.

H.M.S. Sloop Indus, which represented India at the Silver Jubilee Naval Review, will attend the Spithead Review on May 20.

BRITISH NAVAL PARLEYS

London, Yesterday.

Negotiations between the British Government and Germany, Russia, Poland, Turkey, Norway, Finland, and Denmark are being carried on for the purpose of obtaining qualitative limitation of naval armaments on the basis of the London Naval Treaty of 1936.

Favourable progress has been made, declared the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, in the House of Commons yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

Three offertory boxes in Hampstead Parish Church have been rifled by thieves.

THE WORLD GOES BY

THIS is the fourth chapter of that amazing revelation of what behind an apparently ordinary murder in the British Foreign Office.

The winter sports in the Bavarian Alps were in full swing when Bill Smith, former master of ceremonies in a Paris night club, former aeroplane pilot and former Socialist Premier of Great Britain, arrived at a fashionable hotel with La Carioca, most glamorous spy of the century.

They were met by the proprietor, Dr. Bughaus (Devil Take Him) of Pograditchnaya, who had wandered far from his native town in search of his lost romance and had arrived in these snowy wastes by mistake.

"Bughaus" shrieked La Carioca, going into a deep swoon. "Ere, ere, what's all this?" asked Bill Smith. "Little all this?" asked Bill that La Carioca, the toast of all the bloods of Europe, had met her husband, whom she had last seen in a Tibetan monastery.

All of a sudden the band struck up. "Let's dance," said Bill Smith, collecting a peroxide blonde who happened to be passing and sweeping her onto the floor.

"He can't get away with this," hissed La Carioca, and fired twice at the ex-Premier. Once was enough, the other bullet mortally wounding a coal heaver who was watching the fun in the luxurious ballroom. And another two pawns in the life and death game of espionage.

"I say, you can't do that sort of thing, you know." Entered Mr. Percival FitzAllan, former Foreign Secretary, former valet to Bill Smith and now chief of the British Secret Service. At a swift signal from the immaculately dressed Englishman, La Carioca was rushed to a car which stood outside with its blinds drawn, just as the police came into sight down the street.

"To Abyssinia," yelled Mr. Percival FitzAllan, forgetting his Oxford accent in the excitement of the moment. The powerful car disappeared swiftly in the gathering darkness, and its occupants sighed with relief.

Meanwhile Doctor Bughaus (Devil Take Him) of Pograditchnaya clutched desperately at the spare wheel on the back of the car and wondered how long he would have to remain in this uncomfortable position.

In a cafe in the most disreputable part of Montmartre a group of sinister figures were gathered round a table in a private room reeking of cigarette smoke and vin ordinaire.

They were (reading from left to right) La Roxana, the second most glamorous spy in Europe; La Rhumba, the third most glamorous spy in Europe; La Hocha, the fourth most glamorous spy in Europe; Fernando Gomez de la Espinosa (known in espionage circles as "Chimp") and Lord Stamford Bridge, a pecunious Peer who alternatively collected postage stamps and carried out dangerous feats of spying.

Suddenly a red rose dropped on

REBELS BLOWN UP DEMORALISED IN MADRID SECTOR

MADRID, TO-DAY.

THE LOYALISTS HAVE CREATED HAVOC AMONG THE INSURGENTS OCCUPYING POSITIONS IN THE UNIVERSITY CITY AND SOUTH OF CARABANHEL BY EXPLODING HUGE LAND MINES.

Bodies of men and horses were flung into the air in all directions amid a cascade of stones and soil from destroyed houses.

The buildings of the Institutes of Hygiene and Cancer in the University City were seriously damaged.

There were three explosions, at the end of which the Government troops charged and captured the insurgent trenches.—Reuter.

Richmond Bye-Election Result

London, To-day.

The Conservative Party retained Richmond in the retirement of Sir William Ray.

The final figures were:

Major Watt (Con) ... 20,546

Mr. Rogers (Lab) ... 7,709

Majority ... 12,837

The General Election was also a straight fight between Conservative and Labour, Sir William Ray having a majority over his opponent of 19,480.—Reuter.

the table and a terrified silence fell on the group, who were plotting the simultaneous blowing up of munition factories in Esthonia and boarding houses in Bloomsbury Square, thus precipitating another war in the Far East or the Balkans.

A cackle of ghostly laughter cut through the room, while six bombs burst in rapid succession in the passage outside. "Must be that Carioca person again," snarled La Roxana, at the same time plunging the room into darkness with a well-aimed shot at the light.

In far-flung Outposts of Empire, as far-flung as Hong Kong, agitated conferences were being held by Governors, General Officers Commanding and other Government officials.

War was in the air and it behoove them to look to their defences. Had not a Finnish expeditionary force landed in the Philippines? Was this not a menace to the far-flung, too far-flung, Empire?

So Governors scratched their heads and wondered, while nation after nation on the Continent mobilised and began to fling ultimatum at one another. Only Britain did nothing.

And La Roxana, La Rhumba and La Hocha lay dying in a Montmartre dive, while "Chimp" Espinosa and Lord Stamford Bridge slunk across the Spanish frontier. How is it all going to end? When is it all going to end?—(Ed.)

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NOTICE

The Annual General Meeting will be held in Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's Board Room on Friday, March 5th, at 12 noon.

Sir William Hornell, C.I.E., has kindly consented to take the Chair.

HONG KONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS**

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on **FRIDAY, the 12th March, 1937, At 11 a.m.**, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1936.

The **TRANSFER BOOKS** of the COMPANY will be **CLOSED** from **FRIDAY, the 5th March, 1937, to FRIDAY, the 12th March, 1937,** both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 26th February, 1937.

OASIS FLIGHT

Cairo, To-day.
The airmen taking part in the oasis flight, having completed the second stage from Assuan to Luxor, had an easy day yesterday.

In the morning they visited the ancient monuments in and around Luxor, where the Egyptian Premier, Nahas Pasha, is also on a visit. Trans-Ocean.

Coronation Gift To Unemployed

London, To-day.

A special Coronation payment of 2/6 and one shilling for each dependent child to all drawing unemployment pay will be made during the week ending May 8 or the succeeding week.

This was announced by the Minister of Labour, Mr. Ernest Brown, in the House of Commons yesterday. — *Reuter.*

ITALY AND HAPSBURG RESTORATION

ROME, TO-DAY.

ITALY IS AT PRESENT OPPOSED TO A HAPSBURG RESTORATION IN AUSTRIA. IT IS STATED IN AUTHORITY CIRCLES HERE.

Signor Gayda, writing in the "Giornale d'Italia," says that restoration is inopportune because nobody inside or outside Austria feels the need for a change in the present political regime.

It would also be dangerous for it might provoke disturbance within Austria itself.

Hitherto the Italian Government have regarded eventual restoration of the Hapsburgs in a favourable light. — *Reuter.*

BLACK DESPAIR IN DURHAM**HARROWING REPORT BY SPECIAL AREAS COMMISSIONER****WHOLE REGION DOOMED**

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE SERIOUS STATE OF AFFAIRS IN SOUTH-EAST DURHAM IS DISCUSSED AT LENGTH IN A REPORT ISSUED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR THE DISTRESSED AREAS AND PUBLISHED IN THE LONDON "MORNING POST."

THE REPORT STATES THAT 42 PER CENT. OF THE POPULATION IN THE DISTRICT ARE WITHOUT EMPLOYMENT.

Most of the coal mines are shut down and about 13,000,000 tons of coal are lying unused in swamped and abandoned mines.

The Report comes to the conclusion that it would be impossible to re-industrialise this area, at least on a large scale, and that the only solution of its economic and social problems is a return to agriculture.

CUT OFF

Many small towns and villages in the district are completely cut off from the outside world.

Their continued existence would be an absurdity, the Report states. These places, therefore, should be destroyed and the population settled elsewhere.

As things are, the population lives in a completely hopeless state.

CABINET SCHEME

A scheme for relief of the population of the distressed areas was finally accepted by the British Cabinet on Wednesday, and will be placed before the House of Commons next Monday. — *Trans-Ocean.*

U.S. NEUTRALITY BILL**Passes Committee In Congress**

Washington, To-day.

The Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives yesterday formally approved the Neutrality Bill.

Known as the "Cash and Carry" Bill, the measure provides, firstly, that loans and exports of munitions to belligerents in international or civil war is forbidden; secondly, that other commodities cannot be exported to belligerents until ownership is transferred from Americans to foreign purchasers; thirdly, that American merchant vessels must not be armed, and that citizens must not travel on ships belonging to belligerents. — *Reuter.*

ITALY ALSO DECLINES**Will Not Attend Geneva Conferences**

Rome, To-day.

Not only Germany but Italy as well has refused to participate in the forthcoming raw materials conference at Geneva.

An announcement to this effect was made yesterday.

It is added that Italy cannot see its way to take part in any League of Nations conference so long as its attitude as regards Geneva remains what it is at present. — *Trans-Ocean.*

Congress Party Win Madras

Madras, To-day.

Madras is the fifth State in which the Congress Party have secured a clear majority in the elections for the Assembly.

The party has hitherto won 116 seats out of 160 results declared. There are 215 seats in the House. — *Reuter.*

ABYSSINIAN MASSACRE DENIED**Viceroy's Condition Improving**

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Reports appearing in several European newspapers that some 1,700 Abyssinians have been summarily executed in Addis Ababa following the attempted assassination of the Viceroy, Marshal Graziani, have led to energetic denials in Rome, though it is admitted that a number of suspects have been shot.

The actual figures of the number of suspects who have faced the firing squad are withheld.

Meanwhile further reports have been published stating that Marshal Graziani, who was wounded by splinters from the hand-grenades thrown by the would-be assassins, is now suffering from blood poisoning.

Official quarters in Rome, however, yesterday denied this and stated that the Viceroy's condition is improving. — *Trans-Ocean.*

SIR BHUPENDRA MITRA PASSES**Leading Figure In India**

Calcutta, To-day.

The death took place here yesterday of Sir Bhupendra Mitra, who was High Commissioner for India in the United Kingdom from 1931 to 1936.

He was 62 years of age and had been connected with the Government of India, at first in a junior capacity for 40 years.

He became Assistant Secretary in the Finance Department in 1910, Controller of War Accounts in 1915, Financial Adviser on Military Accounts in 1922 and a Member of the Executive Council in 1924 when he was knighted.

He represented India at many overseas conferences. — *Reuter.*

Dr. Herklots To Give Talk On Lam Tsun Valley

Today's Wireless

Resume Of Play In Fifth Test From Melbourne

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.

12.30 p.m.—Military Band Selections.

1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Pianoforte Recital by Ignaz Friedman.

1.20 p.m.—Walter Glynn (Tenor).

1.30 p.m.—Benter Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.

1.40 p.m.—Hawaiian Music.

2 p.m.—Paul Whiteman and His Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7-11 p.m.—European Programme.

7 p.m.—De Groot and His Orchestra with Raymond Newell (Baritone).

Orchestra—

Autumn (Chaminade),

Traume (Wagner).

Baritone Solo—

Here's to life (Talbot & Atkinson).

Orchestra—

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Mandalay (Kipling & Willeby),

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Ballad), (Kipling & Ward-

Higgs).

Orchestra—

Other days (Selection of Popular

Melodies), (arr. Finek).

7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quota-

tions and Hong Kong Exchange

Market Report.

7.35 p.m.—From the Studio.

"The Lam Tsun Valley."

A talk by Dr. G. A. C. Herklots.

8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather

Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Three light songs by Richard

Crooks (Tenor).

1. Nirvana (Weatherly-Adams).

2. A dream of Paradise (Lyttleton-

Gray).

3. O song divine (St. Ives—Temple)

8.15 p.m.—London—"This is England."

Talks by representative English peo-

ple: (8) A doctor with a country

practice in the West of England.

Introduced by Anthony Weymouth.

(Electrical Recording.)

8.30 p.m.—London—The B.B.C. Dance

Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.

8.55 p.m.—London—News and An-

nouncements.

9.15 p.m.—London—The Fifth Cricket

Test Match: Australia v. England.

A ball-by-ball commentary by Victor

Richardson on the last ten minutes

of the first day, followed by a re-

sume of the day's play by Alan Kip-

pax. From Melbourne. (Electrical

Recording.)

9.35 p.m.—Grand March from "Aida"

(Verdi), played by the B.B.C. Wire-

less Symphony Orchestra, Conducted

by Percy Pitt.

9.40 p.m.—From the Studio. The 4th

of a second series of Gramophone

Recitals by The Rev. C. B. R. Sar-

gent.

10 p.m.—London—Big Ben.

10.10 p.m.—Dance Tunes.

Waltz—Close to me.

Fox-Trot—

Front page news.

Cabin on the hilltop,

Mendel's son's swing song.

Night in Manhattan.

Here's love in your eye.

On a typical tropical night,

I was saying to the moon,

I wasn't lying when I said I love

you.

Midnight Blue.

Magnolias in the moonlight,

Crazy with love.

Goodbye, little dream, goodbye,

When a woman smiles.

Did you mean it.

Waltz—Have you forgotten so soon?

11 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Saved By A Hoax

It is to be feared that contract players concentrate too much on the academic side of the game and too little on the psychological side, the personal element. Far be it from me to suggest that technique is not vitally important! But it must be borne in mind that innumerable situations arise which only a keen insight into an opponent's probable reaction will save the day.

In such a hand as the one shown to-day, the most flawless technician would be helpless. But the psychologist-player would instantly see the one hope for fulfilling the contract. South, dealer.

East-West vulnerable.

NORTH

S.—J 6 2

H.—K 5 2

D.—10 4 3

C.—Q 9 6 5

WEST

EAST

S.—K

S.—Q 4

H.—Q J 9

H.—10 8 4 3

D.—J 8 6 5

D.—A Q 7 2

C.—A K 7 4 3

C.—J 10 2

SOUTH

S.—A 10 9 8 7 5 3

H.—A 7 6

D.—K 9

C.—8

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 spade	Pass	1 N. T.	Pass
4 Spades	Pass	Pass	Pass

It goes without saying that South's leap to four spades, with so little encouragement from partner as the one no trump response, was totally unjustified. He probably counted on the assistance of the opponents for a trick or two in the play.

When West opened the club king and followed up with the heart queen, things looked decidedly black for the declarer. It was quite obvious that he had at least one diamond, one heart, and one trump to lose in addition to the club trick already lost. And it was equally obvious that none of these losers could be avoided by any process except one: inducing an error by the defence.

Working toward this end, declarer won the second trick in the dummy with the heart king and then carefully led dummy's jack of trumps. East "fell" with a loud bang; he covered with the queen, exactly as the declarer had hoped he would if he had a doubleton honour. The ace smothered the queen

and West, groaning audibly, parted with his singleton king.

The declarer's observation concerning the East player, that the latter was an inveterate and indiscriminating "honour-coveter" had worked out beautifully and now only a little pure luck was necessary to the contract's fulfillment. Dummy was entered by leading the five of spades to the six spot and a diamond was led toward the king. A work of art would have been destroyed if declarer had found the diamond ace over instead of under him, but, no such vandalism occurring, the ten trick contract became a laydown.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: In the case of an infraction of the law that carries alternate penalties, is it all right for the non-offending side to discuss what penalty to choose?

Answer: When a player has an option in enforcing a penalty, the partners may not consult; if they do the right to enforce the optional part of the penalty lapses.

RICH GIRL MARRIES FISHER

Miss Joan Mary Ellison, daughter of wealthy Yorkshire colliery proprietor, was married to a young fisherman, Mr. Ernest Powesland. They left the church beneath an archway of oars.

Their honeymoon was spent in Finland. They stayed with Capt. Eriksson, former master of the sailing ship *Hertzogin Cecilie*, which went ashore near Kingsbridge last year after winning the grain race from Australia.

Miss Ellison took a leading part in the rescue work, and later Capt. and Mrs. Eriksson stayed with her while attempts were made to salvage the vessel.

Miss Ellison stated that she preferred living simply, kitting her husband's jerseys, to spending a life of luxury.

Three men were killed when a sea-plane fell into the sea near Naples.

Captain Bernicot, retired French sea captain, is sailing round the world in a 40-foot cutter.

A Japanese steamer sunk by a German submarine in 1918 in the Straits of Messina has been located by a salvage ship.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE QUEEN'S AND ALHAMBRA—"Dimples", with Shirley Temple, Frank Morgan and Helen Westley. With songs, dances and minstrelsy, Shirley Temple scores her greatest triumph in this picture.

AT THE KING'S—"The Devil is a Sissy", with Freddie Bartholomew, Jack Cooper, Mickey Rooney and Ian Hunter. A startlingly new theme, brilliantly handled. The boys are outstanding. Not to be missed.

AT THE STAR—"Dancing Pirate", with Charles Collins, Steffi Duna, Frank Morgan, Luis Alberni, Victor Varconi and Jack La Rue. Gay comedy, punctuated with musical surprises. The first dancing romance filmed wholly in technicolour.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Kelly The Second", with Patsy Kelly, Charlie Chase, Pert Kelton and Guinn Williams. Romance, flying-fist and a skit on racketeering—Patsy Kelly turns boxing manager and second! A comedy providing thrills as well as plenty of laughs.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"The Amateur Gentleman", with Douglas Fairbanks Junr. and Elissa Landi. An outstanding film based on the Jeffery Farnol story of the same name. Elissa is at her most alluring and tantalising best.

AT THE CENTRAL—A Chinese Picture.

COMING PICTURES

"Craig's Wife"—with Rosalind Russell and John Boles. The Pulitzer Prize play. The story of a woman who lived for the strongest love ever conceived and makes you hate her as you never hated a screen player before. Coming to the King's Theatre.

"Pennies From Heaven"—with Bing Crosby, Madge Evans, Edith Fellows and Louis Armstrong. The gayest fun-show of the new season.

"Love on the Run"—with Clark Gable, Joan Crawford, Franchot Tone and Reginald Owen. Following her triumph as the "The Gorgeous Hussy", Joan Crawford gives another outstanding performance. A series of hectic and laugh-packed escapades. Coming to the King's Theatre.

"China Clipper"—With Pat O'Brien, Beverley Roberts, Ross Alexander, Humphreys Bogart and Henry B. Walthall. A glamorous romance of the air, marking a milestone in the pictorial history of daring American aviation, coming to the King's Theatre.

"Satan Met A Lady"—with Bette Davis, Warren William, Alison Skipworth, Arthur Treacher and Winifred Shaw. A new thriller from the author of "The Thin Man" which will keep you in laughter from start to finish, coming to the King's.

"Valiant is the Word For Carrie"—with Gladys George, Harry Carrie, Dudley Digges, William Collier, Jackie Moran and Charlene Wyatt. High standard drama! One of the finest prices of life captured by the camera, this is one of the most discussed films of the present time. Coming to the Star Theatre.

ROYAL SCOT STOPPED

The L.M.S. Royal Scot, on its run from Euston to Glasgow, was stopped at Bletchley, Buckinghamshire, to pick up the Duke of Norfolk and his bride, who were married at Brompton Oratory.

It is understood that the Duke and Duchess were leaving the train at Carlisle.

Bletchley is ten miles from Mentmore, one of the country houses of the bride's mother, Lady Rosebery.



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CHINA'S ECONOMIC RECOVERY NEEDS STABLE CURRENCY

Italian Plane Tragedy

Rome, To-day.
Two were killed when an Italian military plane crashed at Ciampino aerodrome, near Rome, yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

MONKS DEFY COPTIC CHURCH

Barricade Themselves In Monastery

Cairo, To-day.
A regular siege of a Coptic monastery near Assiut, in Upper Egypt has now been proceeding for two weeks.

A number of its hundred odd monks had been ex-communicated by the Coptic Patriarch and ordered to leave the monastery.

Refusing to obey, the monks barricaded themselves in the fortress like building.

Well armed and provided with plenty of food, they appear to be able to withstand all efforts to dislodge them.—Trans-Ocean.



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SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.
GIVEN A STABLE CURRENCY, SOUND GOVERNMENT AND INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL PEACE, COMPLETE RECOVERY FROM THE TRADE DEPRESSION IN CHINA IS ASSURED, DECLARED JUDGE C. H. FRANKLIN, PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ADDRESSING THE ANNUAL MEETING YESTERDAY.

Business, he said, is already on the up-turn, which can largely be attributed to stability of the currency, which has helped to allay fears in certain quarters, while good crops and the absence of floods in the Yangtse Valley were a contribution to internal peace.

Recovery had undoubtedly been retarded by smuggling in North China, the American shipping strike and the Sianfu crisis.

The result of the latter incident, however, was most encouraging as it appeared that China had emerged from it more closely united than ever before.—Reuter.

CHANG HSUEH LIANG MYSTERY

Delays Departure From Fenghua

Shanghai, To-day.

With Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, leader of the abortive Sianfu rebellion, delaying his departure for Nanking from Fenghua, speculation about his future continues unabated.

The Chinese press points out that the north-eastern army still regards him as their leader, even though pressure of circumstances compelled them to abandon their demands for his reinstatement.

INFLUENCE STILL STRONG

While Marshal Chang lingers in Fenghua, he evidently continues to wield considerable influence in the affairs of the nation, judging by the number of important leaders who have consulted him.

Recent visitors to Fenghua are reported to include General Wang Shu-shang, former divisional commander under the "Young Marshal," who is being appointed Pacification Commissioner of Kansu, one of the provinces involved in the rebellion.

DEVELOPMENTS FORESEEN

Others were General Chiang Ting-wen, Governor of Fukien and one of Marshal Chang's captives in Shensi last December, and General Ma Teh-hui, former managing director of the Chinese Eastern Railway during his regime in Manchuria.

If Marshal Chang eventually goes to Nanking it will inevitably set in motion an important train of events.—Reuter.

Netherlanders To Watch Frontier

Paris, To-day.

It is officially announced that the members of the international commission which will supervise the Franco-Spanish frontier will be Netherlanders.—Reuter.

AMERICA'S PUBLIC ENEMY NO. 1 CAPTURED

New York, To-day.

America's present Public Enemy No. 1, Merle Vanderbilt, whom G-men have been trailing for two months, was one of three gunmen captured by the police in an attempt to hold up a bank at Katonah yesterday.—Reuter.

LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone appears to be moving into the Eastern Sea. It has decreased in intensity, and pressure is highest over the mouth of the Yangtse.

Forecast:—E. Winds, moderate; cloudy.

GERMANY CONDEMNS THE HAPSBURGS

STRONGLY DISAPPROVE AMBITIONS FOR RESTORATION

Berlin, To-day.

The attitude of overt hostility adopted by the Nazi Party towards the Hapsburgs has not changed.

This declaration is made by the Reich during the Great War is fresh in the memory of all Germans, is at variance with Germany's entire policy and hence is also opposed to the Austro-German agreement signed last year.

In this agreement, the writer points out, Austria expressly pledged herself to a policy in keeping with the fact that Austria recognises herself to be a German country.

Finally, Dr. Halfeld contends that restoration would cause unrest throughout Europe and would be an obstacle to a European settlement.—Trans-Ocean.

MEN LEAVE FACTORY

UGLY SITUATION AT SANTA MONICA RELIEVED

SANTA MONICA, TO-DAY.
AN UGLY MOOD IS EVIDENT IN THE STRIKE WHICH HAS RENDERED IDLE THE HUGE DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT WORKS HERE.

Two hundred officers have been sent to the factory under orders to arrest the strikers and repossess the plant for the owners, using guns and tear gas if necessary.

Tension is increasing as an unidentified speaker yesterday advised the strikers to resist force with force.

The officers were sent to the works following the voting of 400 indictments on felony and conspiracy charged by the Grand Jury.

Meanwhile the strike has spread to the Northrup Corporation, a subsidiary of the Douglas Company, where 1,000 men are employed.—Reuter.

MEN ABANDON FACTORY

Santa Monica (California), To-day.

Advised by their lawyer, the sit-down strikers occupying the Douglas Aircraft Works here left the plant yesterday.

The men were escorted by police with warrants for the arrest of 400 of the strikers.

A force of 500 police, under deputy-sheriffs and armed with tear gas, riot guns and machine-guns, was surrounding the factory when the capitulation was made.

Two Government mediators went into the factory and pleaded with the men to leave peacefully, after a telegram had been despatched to President Roosevelt by the strikers asking him to intervene.—Reuter.

RESTORATION UNWELCOME.
Restoration of the dynasty, he says, whose enmity towards the

GRIM FIGHT OF MINERS IN HUNGARY: 250 FACE DEATH

Bitter Passions In "Sit-Down" Strike ENTREATIES OF WIVES IGNORED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Budapest, To-day.

Over 250 striking miners are facing a slow and terrible death as a result of their stubborn refusal to evacuate the underground workings which they have turned into a miniature fortress.

France Seeks Recall Of Volunteers

Paris, To-day.

The French Ambassador in London, M. Charles Corbin, has been instructed to press for recall of the volunteers already in Spain.

This was announced in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday by M. Yvon Delbos, the Foreign Minister.—Reuter.

ONLY ONE FLAG FOR NETHERLANDS

The Hague, To-day.

No longer will two Netherlands flags be flown following a royal decree issued yesterday.

Hitherto two flags have been recognised in the Netherlands, one red, white and blue, and the other the banner of the House of Nassau, of orange, white and blue.

Now the former flag has been declared the official flag of the nation.—Trans-Ocean.

The water in the shafts is gradually rising and the air supply has been cut off following the disabling of the pumps.

In spite of this the strikers have barricaded themselves in and have refused all entreaties to them to end the strike.

The strikers have picketed the entrance and are prepared, they state, to resist efforts made to evacuate them with force.

AGONISING SCENES

Agonising scenes were witnessed yesterday when relatives and friends of the strikers tearfully pleaded with the strikers to withdraw while there was yet time.

The board of directors of the mine, which is situated at Funfkirchen, refuse to negotiate with the men, while the Minister of Trade, M. Geza Bornemissza, who was appealed to, declared that the Government would not interfere.

TENSION GROWING

The state of tension in the entire district is increasing hourly and several clashes have occurred between sympathisers with the strikers and the police.

Three were killed and eight are in hospital seriously injured as a result of a police charge against a mob of demonstrators yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

BIG REDUCTIONS IN DUTY LEVIES

NEW BRITISH TRADE ACCORD WITH CANADA

London, To-day.

The terms of the new Anglo-Canadian Trade Agreement, which remains in force until August 20, 1940, when it is subject to termination at six months' notice, were published yesterday.

Canada lowers British preferential duties on 150 items affecting forty per cent. of United Kingdom imports into Canada.

The reductions are mostly from 2½ per cent. to five per cent. but in some goods the reductions range from five to twenty per cent. and include, inter alia, textiles.

The agreement conventionalises the free entry of twenty per cent. of the total United Kingdom goods to Canada.

ORDERLY MARKETING

The United Kingdom undertakes to maintain the existing duty-free items but reserves the right to review the basis of preference as regards dairy products.

Margins of preference for Canadian goods are continued, except in the case of dried fruits.

Canadian meat and cattle continue to be duty free but Canada declares her willingness to assist the British Government to carry out her policy of orderly marketing of meat and cattle in the United Kingdom.—Reuter.

FOUR POWER PACT RUMOURS

British Inquiry In Vienna

London, To-day.

Questioned in the Commons regarding the reported offer by Germany to Austria of a Four-Power Pact, Lord Cranborne stated that the Austrian Government had informed the British Minister in Vienna that no such offer was ever made.—British Wireless

FREE STATE PACT

Satisfactory Changes In Agreement

DUTIES REMOVED

London, To-day.

Minor adjustments the affecting trade arrangement with Irish Free State concluded at the beginning of 1936, were announced by the Dominions Secretary in a Parliamentary answer last night.

He recalled his recent statement after his conversations with Mr. De Valera that the arrangement was to continue for another year.

As a result of subsequent discussions, it had been agreed to make minor adjustments in the arrangements for the regulation of United Kingdom imports of cattle and bacon from the Irish Free State during 1937.

Further, the United Kingdom Government have agreed to remove the present special duty of 20 per cent. ad valorem on live horses imported from the Irish Free State.

The Irish Free State Government, for their part, have agreed to remove the existing emergency duties on sugar and subsidiary products imported from the United Kingdom.

The changes will take effect on Monday.—British Wireless.

AUSTRIAN NEED FOR FUNDS

Vienna, To-day.

Permission to float an Austrian loan of 180,000,000 schillings was granted by Parliament yesterday.

The Government has also been empowered to raise a credit of 580,000,000 schillings.—Trans-Ocean.

For the theft of a pointer, Chan Shuen was this morning fined \$50 in default six weeks' imprisonment by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy. Sergeant Estall said that the complainant, Lo Kwan, reported the loss of the dog and it was later found that defendant had the dog. It was suspected that he was going to kill the animal and sell the flesh.

RAS DESTA CAUGHT AND SHOT

ROME, TO-DAY.

RAS DESTA, THE LAST OF THE GREAT ABYSSINIAN CHIEFS RESISTING THE ITALIANS, HAS BEEN CAPTURED AND SHOT BY A FIRING SQUAD.

Ras Desta had been in hiding since his defeat by Marshal Graziani, and was captured in the lake district together with a few followers, by an Italian flying column.

He had been given a week in which to surrender but failed to do so.—Reuter.

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AFTER PLANS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF PORT FACILITIES HAVE BEEN DRAWN UP AND REJECTED COUNTLESS TIMES OVER A NUMBER OF YEARS, THE "CHINA MAIL" UNDERSTANDS THAT FINAL APPROVAL HAS BEEN GIVEN

IMPORTANT MODIFICATIONS IN THE ORIGINAL SCHEME HAVE MADE THIS POSSIBLE. THE COST HAS BEEN CUT BY HALF, BUT THE WORK WILL BE STARTED ALMOST IMMEDIATELY.

A FIVE PER CENT. CUSTOMS SURTAX IS LIKELY TO BE IMPOSED TO PROVIDE FOR SINKING FUND CHARGES.

The project for the construction of the Whampoa Harbour has been revised by the Kwangtung Provincial Government in order to hasten its completion.

Cut In Half

While the original project provided for the construction of a harbour with an area of 250,000 mow at a total outlay of \$80,000,000, it is now proposed to reduce the area to 120,000 mow and the total cost to approximately \$40,000,000.

Mr. Tsang Yang-fu, Mayor of Canton, who is concurrently director of the Whampoa Harbour Construction Commission, has made several

trips during the past few days to Whampao to investigate and supervise the preliminary work, which is proceeding without a hitch.

The first stage, which calls for the improvement of the river channel, the building of dykes and wharves and the completion of the land survey is expected to be completed by the end of June, when the second stage of work will be started right away.

Bond Issue

Whampao Harbour Construction Bonds amounting to about \$6,600,000, it is learned, will be issued soon possibly next week, approval for their issuance having been ob-

tained from the Ministry of Finance.

Arrangements have been made between the harbour commission and the three government banks, namely the Central Bank of China, the Bank of China and the Bank of Communications, to mortgage part of the bonds for a loan of \$3,000,000 to meet immediate needs in construction work.

Customs Surtax

To provide a sinking fund for the construction bonds, a 5 per cent. Customs surtax will, it is understood, be levied in Kwangtung, and the monthly proceeds will be directly remitted to the Ministry of Finance for custody.

For the expropriation of land, a Land Price Fixation Committee is being organised by the Bureau of Land Administration, the Bureau of Agriculture and Forestry, the Canton District Government, and the civic bodies in Whampao. Its function is to fix impartially the price of land which must be expropriated for the construction of the harbour works.

It is estimated that at least 50,000 mow of land will be expropriated at an approximate cost of \$2,000,000.

The Governing Body of the Victoria League announce that Their Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth have graciously consented to become Patrons of the League as well as Her Majesty Queen Mary, who, as Princess of Wales, became Patroness in 1906. Their Majesties, as Duke and Duchess of York, have been Vice-Patrons of the Victoria League since 1923.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Japan" left Shanghai to-day at 9 a.m., and is due at Kobe on Sunday at 6 a.m.

M. C. I. FLAG DAY

An Appeal For Public Generosity

[To The Editor, "China Mail"]

Sir,—May I ask that through the help of the "China Mail," you would please make this appeal.

To-morrow, the Ministering-League is holding a Flag Day, and I do beg most sincerely that everyone will be generous to this old and most deserving charity which assists, for the most part, the less well known charities, both Chinese and non-Chinese.

Amongst its obligations the League has pledged itself to keep two cots in the Home at Ottershaw—and a cot in the Nethersole Hospital here. Last year funds were allocated to:—

Nethersole Hospital, M.C.I. Cot.
Hong Kong Benevolent Society.
Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children.
Blind Home, Pokfulam.
Victoria Home and Orphanage.
Sailors' and Soldiers' Home.
C.M.S. School Fund.
Garrison Ladies' Help Society.
Kowloon City Alms Houses.
Salvation Army Home, Kowloon City.
Chinese Y.M.C.A. Baby Clinic.
Saint John's Ambulance.

Emblems will be on sale from 8 a.m. till noon. Sellers have been asked to refrain from going into any offices.

Despite the many calls for charity, I would ask for generous support to this Flag Day.

Yours etc.

MARY KING,
President.

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The Director of the St. John Ambulance Brigade acknowledges with grateful appreciation and thanks the receipt of the following donations:—

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The annual general meeting and Dinner of the Diocesan School Old Boys Association will be held this evening at the Hotel Cecil, commencing at 7.15 p.m. All members and Old Boys are invited to attend.

A Useful Hint To Nursing Mothers

Women nursing babies should carefully watch their own health and daily regularity, for failure to do this lets loose poisons into the blood which rob the baby's food of purity and strength. The most efficient laxative for the nursing mother's use is Pinkettes, which act as gently as nature and neither gripe nor purge. Pinkettes dispel sick headaches, biliousness, flatulence, keep the skin clear and the breath sweet. Of chemists everywhere.

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CAUSTIC LABOUR CRITIC IN ARMAMENTS DEBATE

Mr. Chamberlain's Hope Of Plan Curtailment

LACK OF CLEAR POLICY ALLEGED

London, To-day.

"Even now, although prospects might seem discouraging, I do not altogether despair of presently finding some new field in which we may avoid the necessity of pursuing rearmament fully to the bitter end."

IT WAS WITH THESE WORDS THAT THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER, MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN, OPENED THE SECOND READING OF THE DEFENCE LOANS BILL IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY.

In the meantime, Mr. Chamberlain continued, the country could not afford to stay its hand until it was satisfied that we had provided for the safety of the country and put ourselves in a position to fulfil our international obligations.

Nothing that human ingenuity could devise to prevent excessive prices in the cost of rearmament had been left undone.

FINANCIAL POSITION

Dealing with the financial position the Chancellor said that while the national debt in the United States had increased in the last six years by over \$2,000,000,000, annual debt charges in Britain had been reduced from \$282,500,000 in 1931 to \$210,500,000 in the present year, while the country had provided a constantly increasing sum for social services.

As long as borrowing did not exceed general savings, there was no inflation.

ONLY A FRACTION

The sum of \$400,000,000 to be raised by the Loan represented only a fraction of the country's savings.

Mr. H. B. Lees-Smith (Labour, Keighley), moving the Opposition resolution expressing misgiving at the huge competitive national armament without any constructive foreign policy, declared that the Minister for Co-ordination of Defence, Sir Thomas Inskip, was not solving any problems.

A SHOCK-ABSORBER

He was merely a shock-absorber keeping the ring between the defence departments, which were getting all the prize money out of the unlimited resources of borrowing.

Herr Hitler was always pushing to see where he could obtain advantages and other nations were giving way.

Hitherto we had always given way.

CRIMINAL DANGER

He believed they were misleading everyone and unconsciously luring them on.

He did not believe that Britain would give way for ever but thought it was almost a criminal danger not to let Herr Hitler know what the nation would not stand. —Renter.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S SPEECH

Mr. Neville Chamberlain welcomed absence from opposition's rejection motion of the suggestion made last week by Mr. Attlee that Bill was "War Measure." It would be very unfortunate, the Chancellor

declared, if any apprehension of imminent war were created at time when there was no reason or justification for any such fears.

Citing the motion's invitation to the House to view with misgiving the massing of huge competitive national armaments, the Chancellor reiterated his own horror of Europe's rearmament and unproductive expenditure in which it involved nations.

Mr. Chamberlain twitted the Labour Party on its repeated affectation of the ignorance of the relation which the Government's rearmament programme bore to their foreign policy.

"The relation has been described and defined with the utmost clearness by the Foreign Secretary but opposition members continue to ignore his statements. I must, therefore, ask the House to bear with me while I once more repeat the Foreign Secretary's words."

LEAMINGTON DECLARATION

The Chancellor then read Mr. Eden's well known declaration at Leamington on November 20, commencing: "These arms will never be used in war of aggression and will never be used for a purpose inconsistent with the League Covenant or the Pact of Paris." He challenged Labour speakers to say whether they considered that British arms should not be used for any of the purposes described by the Foreign Secretary or whether they considered they should be used for any purpose in addition. Not until they ceased evading such straightforward questions and gave a plain answer was he called upon seriously to deal with such obscurely insinuated criticisms.

NATIONAL CREDIT

Mr. Chamberlain then turned to charges that the Bill's proposals would weaken the national credit, depress the standard of living and contained no effective provision to prevent profiteering. He said that no matter in the whole of the problems connected with the rearmament programme had received more continuous or more concentrated attention than the prevention of excessive prices.

"I have no hesitation in saying that nothing human ingenuity can devise or human effort can achieve to this end has been left undone."

He explained the machinery set up by the Treasury for the purpose and the principles on which it was working and concluded: "You can

interests of the taxpayers are being adequately protected."

SOCIAL SERVICES

The Chancellor complained of exaggeration on the statement that the proposals would adversely affect national credit and of a confusion of mind regarding the effects on the one hand of vast armaments expenditure and on other of borrowing to meet part of it. The national credit had been steadily built up during last six years. The Unemployment Insurance Fund had been put in solvent condition and reserves accumulated which, if no distribution took place, would reach by end of present year a sum of between \$52,000,000 and \$60,000,000.

In the last Budget of the Labour Government, when unemployment was high, the provision for the social service was \$45,000,000. In the current year, when employment had enormously improved, the provision was \$68,000,000.

Finally, the Chancellor declared that the Labour Party's suggestion that the whole of defence expenditure should be met out of current revenue necessitating the imposi-

tion of fresh and crushing taxation —was pushing financial orthodoxy to dangerous pedantry.

UNSOOUND POLICY

For Labour Party, Mr. Lees Smith refused to be reassured by the Chancellor or Mr. Keynes. He contended the Government's borrowing powers should be reserved for time when armaments expenditure fell off and a slump threatened in order to arrest an oncoming depression. The contrary policy, by which armaments expenditure and borrowing were to cease simultaneously, invited a catastrophic slump.

Mr. Lees Smith suggested the appointment of Civil Planning Committee to work along parallel lines with the Committee of Imperial Defence on aspects of the defence problem which, he asserted, were obviously being neglected. Sir Robert Horne, speaking later in the debate, expressed the opinion that the country could take \$400,000,000 of borrowing in a stride.

The House of Commons passed the second reading of the Defence Loans Bill by 307 votes to 132. —British Wireless.

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LITERALLY SPEAKING

Hong Kong is still far from solving its house refuse and litter problem in a manner giving all-round satisfaction. And there never can be a solution in any system which perpetuates the practice of denying the mobility of collection vehicles by stationing them at selected points and requiring householders for blocks around to trail their rubbish through the streets in an astonishingly mixed assortment of containers.

In the personal litter field, resource and ingenuity is now being applied, the latest device being the provision by tailors of litter pockets in men's suits. It is true that man is supposed to have too many pockets already, but this in reality is only by comparison with women's poverty in them. Every man worth his salt gladly adds to his collection and a litter pocket should be immensely popular.

The value of it lies, or should lie, in the unflinching determination of civilised beings to be good citizens and not to leave rubbish lying all over the place — as refuse collection so often impels careless householders to do.

Man is by nature a tidy animal. That must not be forgotten. But at present there is a time-lag and a sometimes nauseous distance-lag between the Colony's refuse-providers and its refuse collectors. The whole situation bears some resemblance to that of rearmament.

Therefore are we compelled to store up about our persons or in our homes and offices large quantities of material which we should gladly discard.

It is to be hoped this will not be forgotten by those in authority for if fault there be, it lies with those who do not provide enough baskets and bins into which we could empty the contents of our pockets or dust pans when the load became too burdensome.

Throughout the city there should be "sealed" bins of the type used a good deal in England to-day, which would be emptied hourly by a special flying squad of scavengers equipped with vacuum extractors or other up-to-date devices.

Trade Balance

Anxiety in all quarters interested in Britain's economic well-being will be greatly relieved by the Board of Trade's estimate of the net adverse trade balance for the past year. Two months ago

it was feared that payments of appreciable magnitude would have to be met, but increased shipping earnings, a great improvement in the return upon foreign investments, have so reduced the visible adverse balance that net figure is believed not to exceed \$19,000,000. When it is borne in mind that this must be entirely represented by the increase in the cost of imports, and not by the volume, nothing is left in the position to occasion alarm. One of the causes of the rise in prices, of course, was the recent currency agreement, but this is expected, in its own good time, with ready co-operation, to produce a general revival in international trade, in which Britain should not be the sufferer, though it remains true that goods still seem to find their way more easily to the British Isles than to any other part of the world. Even so, some time must elapse before the expansion of the export trade begins to offset increased manufacturing activity in Britain and increased internal the growth in imports, and increasing power cannot indefinitely continue without the development of overseas markets for British goods. Certainly, while a \$19,000,000 deficit, following a year of a \$36,000,000 margin on the right side, is nothing to become worried about, a revival in exports would seem to be necessary if Britain's prosperity is to be maintained on a sound basis.

River Of Destiny

Now that Madrid has become the Verdon of world anti-fascism, its sandy little river, the Manzanares, is becoming as historic as Caesar's little Rubicon. Curling round the capital to the west and south, it has become the line of demarcation, broken in a few places only, between anti-fascism and fascism. What a load of fate to be carried by a river which heretofore has never carried anything larger than minnows!

Nearly 400 years ago Philip II had a scheme for connecting the Manzanares by canal with the Tagus and so enabling it to carry galleons from the Americas into his new capital of Madrid. But nothing came of that. Its banks have remained a pleasure resort for Madrilenos, young and old. In happier times every Sunday afternoon brought hundreds of little Madrilenos to paddle and fish for tiddlers and sail their toy boats in its shallow waters.

At various times it has acquired bridges, six of them in all. Since the turn of the century, the town fathers of Madrid have adorned it with parks and parapets — little dreaming how soon two irreconcilable worlds were to meet on its banks.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

AFTERTHOUGHT: "We should always have been tougher, but the trouble always was that we did not know what to get tough about." — Rexford Guy Tugwell, discussing the New Deal's past.

NO SURRENDER: "He who yields is mad, for he will endanger not only the freedom of our people but the existence of his own family." — General Jose Miaja.

LACKING: "If we could put a wall around Europe, we could have a ready-made lunatic asylum." — Dr. Maudsley.

"Sit-downs" Perfect A Strike Technique

SOMETHING new in labour tactics has stirred the imagination of large numbers of wage-earners of all classes—white collar, unskilled, semi-skilled and skilled. It is the sit-down strike. The name is not quite accurate, for the disaffected employees stay in the plants and seldom sit down at their machines, preferring, if anything, to stand up or roam about their workshops.

In recent weeks there have been stay-in strikes of workers in France and America. In Akron sit-down strikes, as they are called there, have been common. One observer noted fifty-eight in a single plant, each lasting from an hour or two to three days.

But the climax of this form of labour demonstration came with the stay-in strikes of large numbers of employees in the automobile and accessories plants in Detroit, Flint and near-by towns. Here the strike seemed to reach greater perfection of organisation, with the result that the national issues raised by the sit-down have been brought into sharper focus. For the moment, at least, the new tactics are riding the crest of popularity in labour circles, while the old-fashioned walk-out remains in the background. But there are signs that point to a use of both weapons as another step in the development of systematic pressures.

The "sit-downers" themselves think highly of the new technique. "We are in the plant," they say. "We are not damaging the property. In fact, we take care of it, and would stop anybody from sabotage. But we are here to get our rights. Nobody can work while we are on the job. We are striking inside the plant. That's better than walking outside and using up your shoe leather."

Needless to say, the viewpoint of the management is quite the reverse. The men, they maintain, are trespassers, holding property to which they have no right and preventing anybody who wants to work from working. "It is illegal and the strikers should be put out," they say. "Why should a small number of men keep the majority out of work?"

A typical stay-in strike is called usually in a plant which has windows that open on the street. One which is set back from the road, with a gate at the street entrance and a long path leading up to the doors, is not built for a labour demonstration of the new kind. Unless the strikers controlled the gate and gave free ingress and egress to their caterers, such a strike would really mean a hunger demonstration, and hunger strikes are rare in labour annals. Therefore the "stay-inners" select a factory which faces a street where they may open windows, lean out and chat with their friends and families and, most important, pass food, cigarettes and candy through the windows or hoist them to the upper floors in improvised slings.

The stay-in strikers find acceptable amusements at hand. They improvise draught boards from cardboard boxes, using slings or washers for draughts. One group

of strikers played Monopoly around the clock, with shifts of six or eight "signing in" for use of the equipment every few hours.

For beds the strikers use the tables in the plant, covering them with cardboard. Blankets are usually available after the first night or so when wives pass them through the windows or turn them over to the pickets at the gates.

A typical breakfast for sit-in strikers consists of prunes, oatmeal, coffee and bread. At noon there is soup or stew, bread and sandwiches, pie and coffee or milk. The evening meal may be chili con carne, bread, coffee and dessert.

Liquor is usually "verboten." One newspaper reporter who found it hard to extract information from a group of strikers passed several half-pints of whisky over to them.

The supply of information was turned on, but as soon as the alert picket captains became aware of what was going on the liquor was confiscated. The news supply also dwindled.

Music is an ever-welcome friend of the stay-in strikers. One or two radios are usually found in these strikes, and where there are girl strikers impromptu dances furnish a social note for the occasion. In one plant an accordion, fiddle, saxophone and two harmonicas served as a "dance orchestra."

"Talent" of various kinds is discovered quickly. Strikers in a plant found two barbers, both of whom had drifted into mechanical work. They were made to take up their old trade. For the girls there was a "beauty parlour" presided over by an ex-employee of one of these institutions. A clerk in the shipping department proved to be a virtuoso in several fields, leading a chorus and also conducting a group in workers' education. The education group was divided into two classes, one for the study of trade unions, the other taking up parliamentary law.

Where girls may be among the strikers strict rules of chaperonage are arranged. In one case two plant matrons paid by the company consented to remain with the strikers and to take charge of the women's "dormitory." For both men and women a "curfew" was observed, usually about 11 p.m. or a little later. "Radios off" is the rule at 11 p.m.

Intra-plant decisions on policy are usually made by the strike strategy committee. In one case the question arose as to whether the girls should be permitted to go through a dark tunnel connecting two plants. The committee ruled that while the men from the connecting plants might visit each other and the girls at the usual hours the girls could not go through the tunnel.

"Have you been to church today?" shouted an "outsider" to a friend "inside" a Flint plant last Sunday morning. "Sure," was the reply. "Over the radio."

Services of a physician are occasionally required. The doctor goes to the gate, where he is consulted, generally about a cold, indigestion or a sore throat. Sit-in strikers suffer from laryngitis brought on by excessive shouting, singing and talking.

Sometimes foremen drop in for a chat, fraternise a bit with the men and perhaps affect their morale. In such cases rules are sometimes made that a striker must not talk to company officials, but that all conversation is to be carried on solely by union officials.

Other "crises" may arise when word goes out that company guards are about to storm the stronghold of the strikers. Then the men are mobilised to prevent forcible eviction. Usually an intelligence service of a sort, with swift run-

ners, is on hand to circumvent such contingencies. In a sit-down in the rubber industry an act was committed that was fraught with considerable danger. The men, irate over a grievance, held the foreman and supervisors in a "bull-pen" made of rubber tires for fifteen hours, and an outbreak of violence or a raid by police appeared to be likely. It was averted, however, by calmness and judgment on both sides.

The origin of the sit-down strike is unknown. Some think that the Gandhi passive resistance movement in India may have stimulated the idea, but the method has been known for years in coal mines. When a coal miner found that he was not supplied with enough tim-

ber for shoring his "place" he would stop loading coal. The superintendent would quickly rush timber for the miner's job.

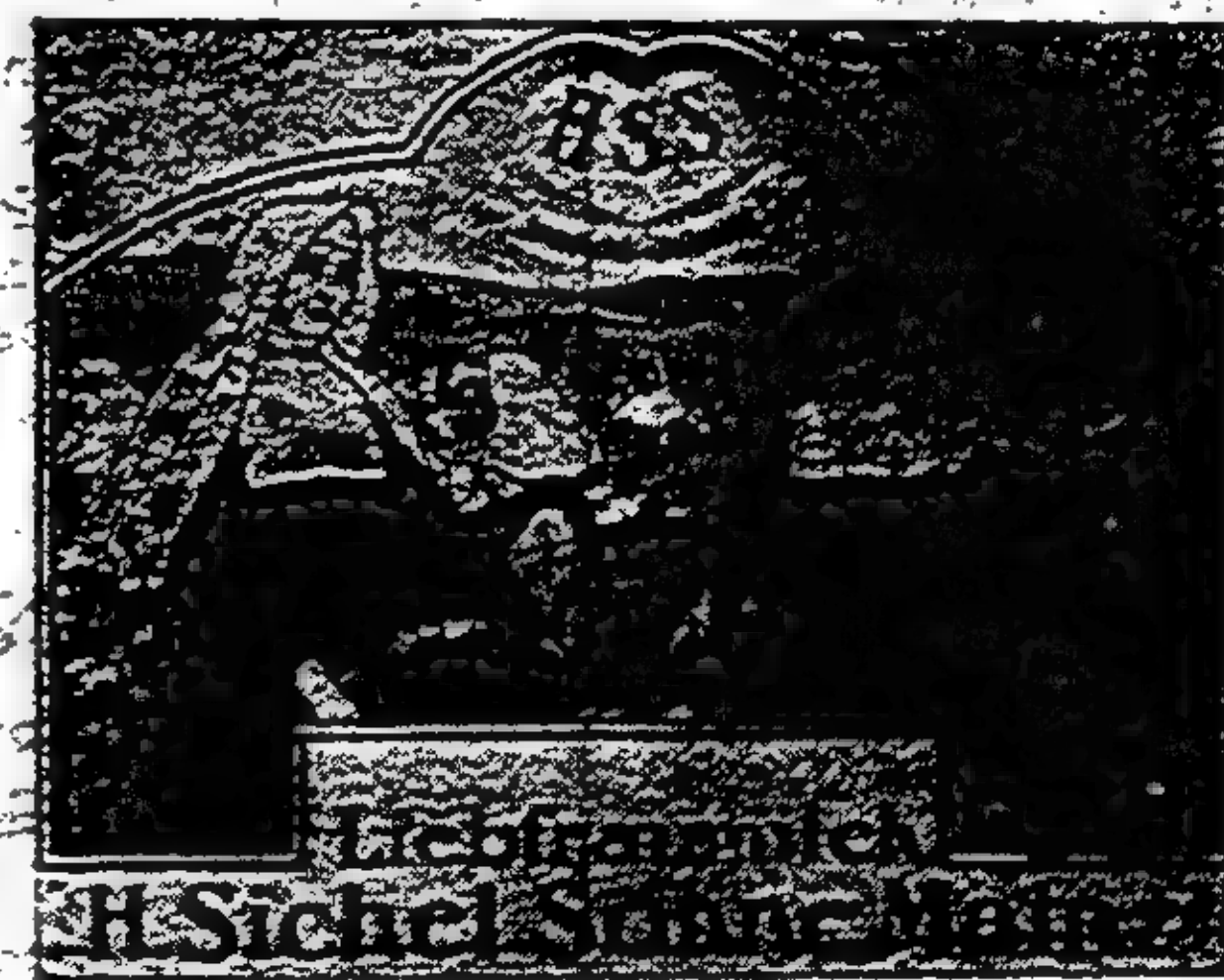
More than two years ago, in the Autumn of 1934, a crew of Hungarian coal miners staged what was then described as a "suicide strike" when they refused to come to the surface and threatened to commit mass suicide unless their demands for higher wages were granted. This affair at Pecs attracted considerable attention at the time and may have been the inspiration of what was called a "stay-down" strike in Welsh collieries about a year later. Since then refinements have been added to this technique on both sides of the Atlantic.

The sit-down weapon is as effective as those who use it can make it. Labour leaders realise that if it is carried on by vast numbers it may have revolutionary implications, as did the series of sit-down strikes last year in France, when hundreds of factories were occupied. There the government, acting promptly rushed through a series of labour measures, including a law on collective bargaining which eased the crisis, but there are indications that the sit-down fever has not entirely abated in France.

That the new weapon may turn upon those who foster it is the fear felt by some labour leaders who say that the stay-in strike is one that requires considerable discipline. The men must be masters of themselves at all times, for the problem of keeping intact the machine which yield them a livelihood is one that cannot be ignored in the hour-to-hour crises that mark these demonstrations.

By Louis Stark

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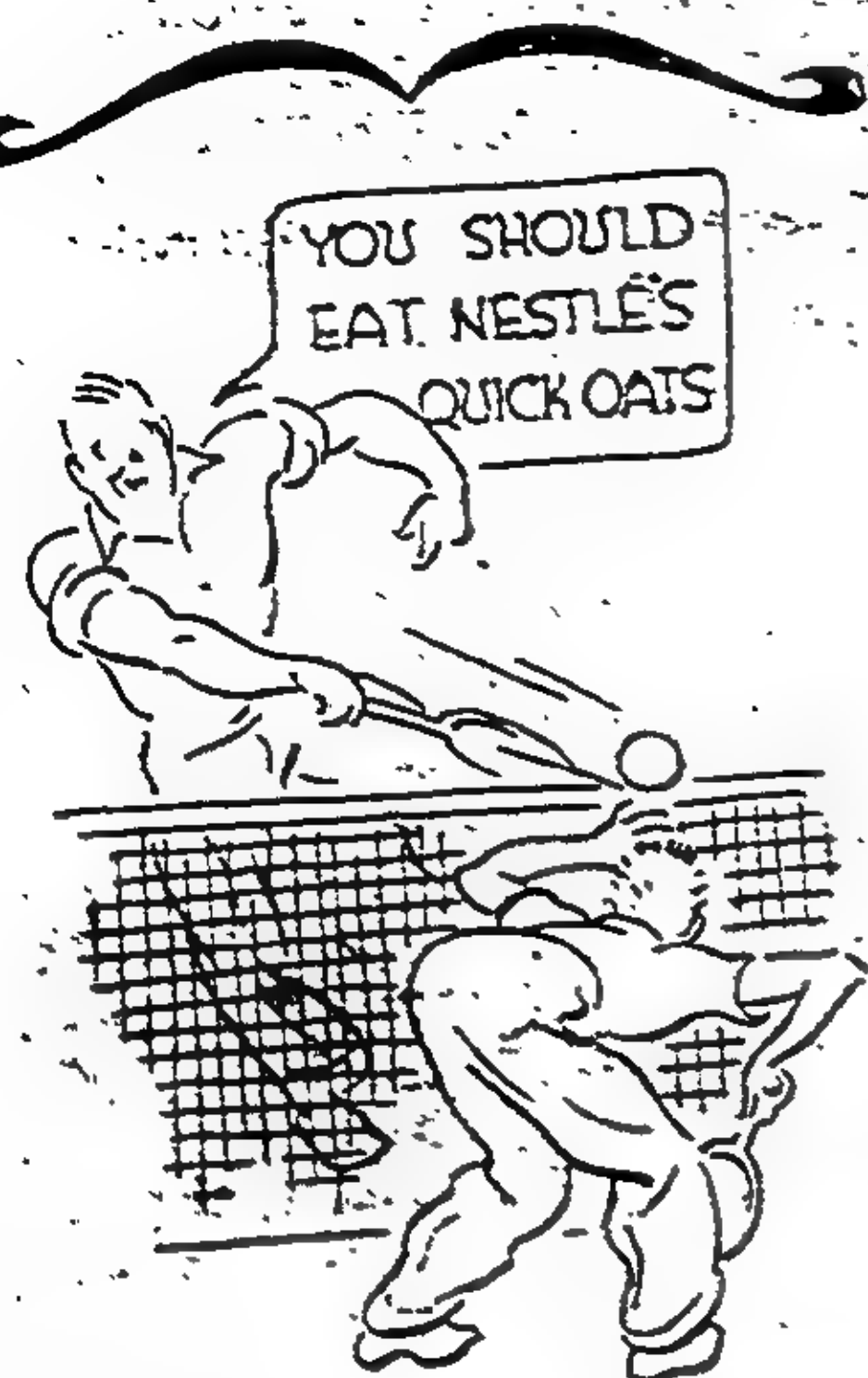
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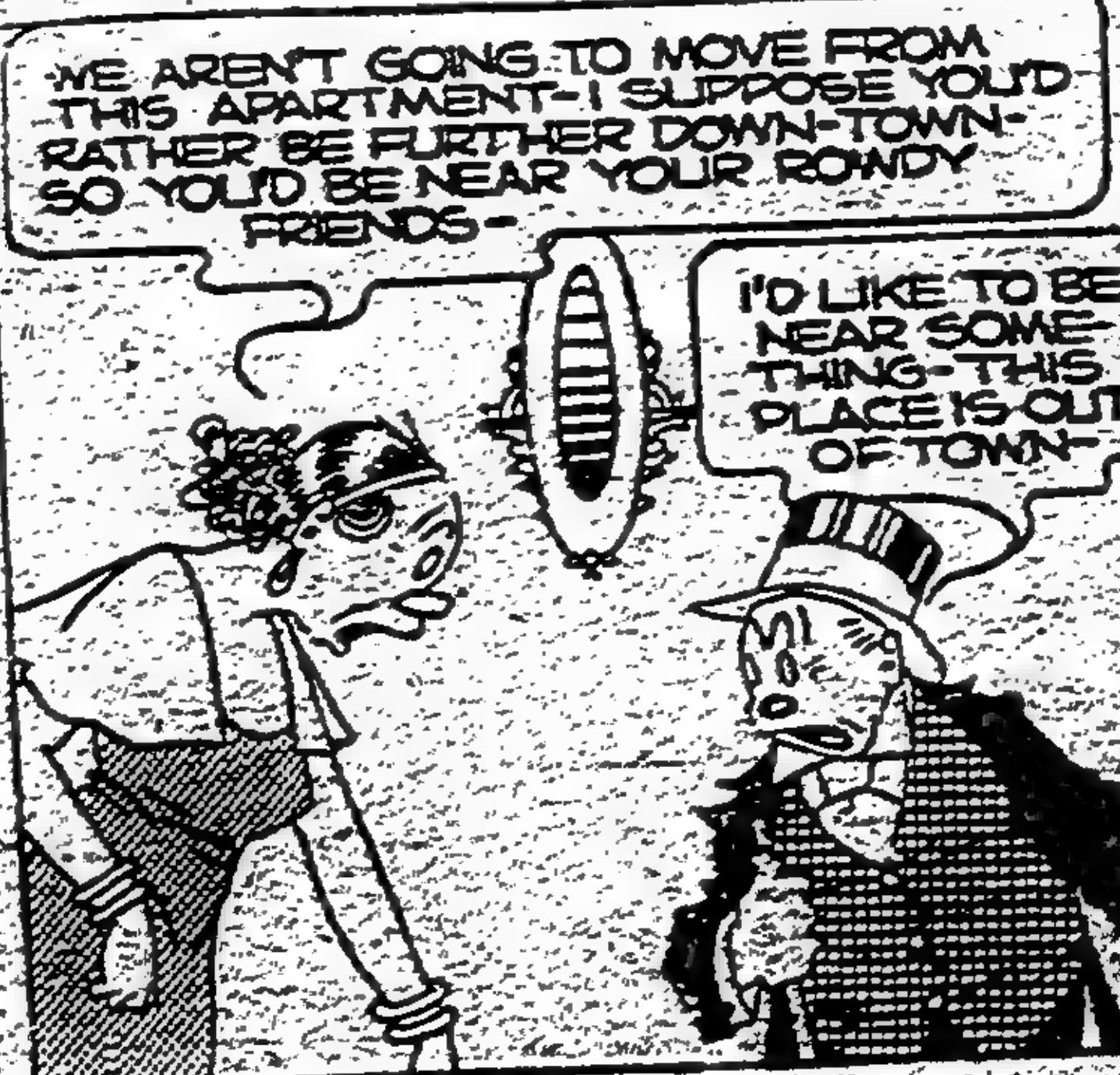
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The most recent picture of Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Ambassador in London, who was presented on Wednesday with the German flag which had been captured by British troops when Tanganyika Territory fell in 1916.



A novel new poke-bonnet of woven wood veneer is not necessarily meant for wooden heads, as lovely Elsa Buchanan shows above as she poses on the sands at Hollywood.



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By George McManus



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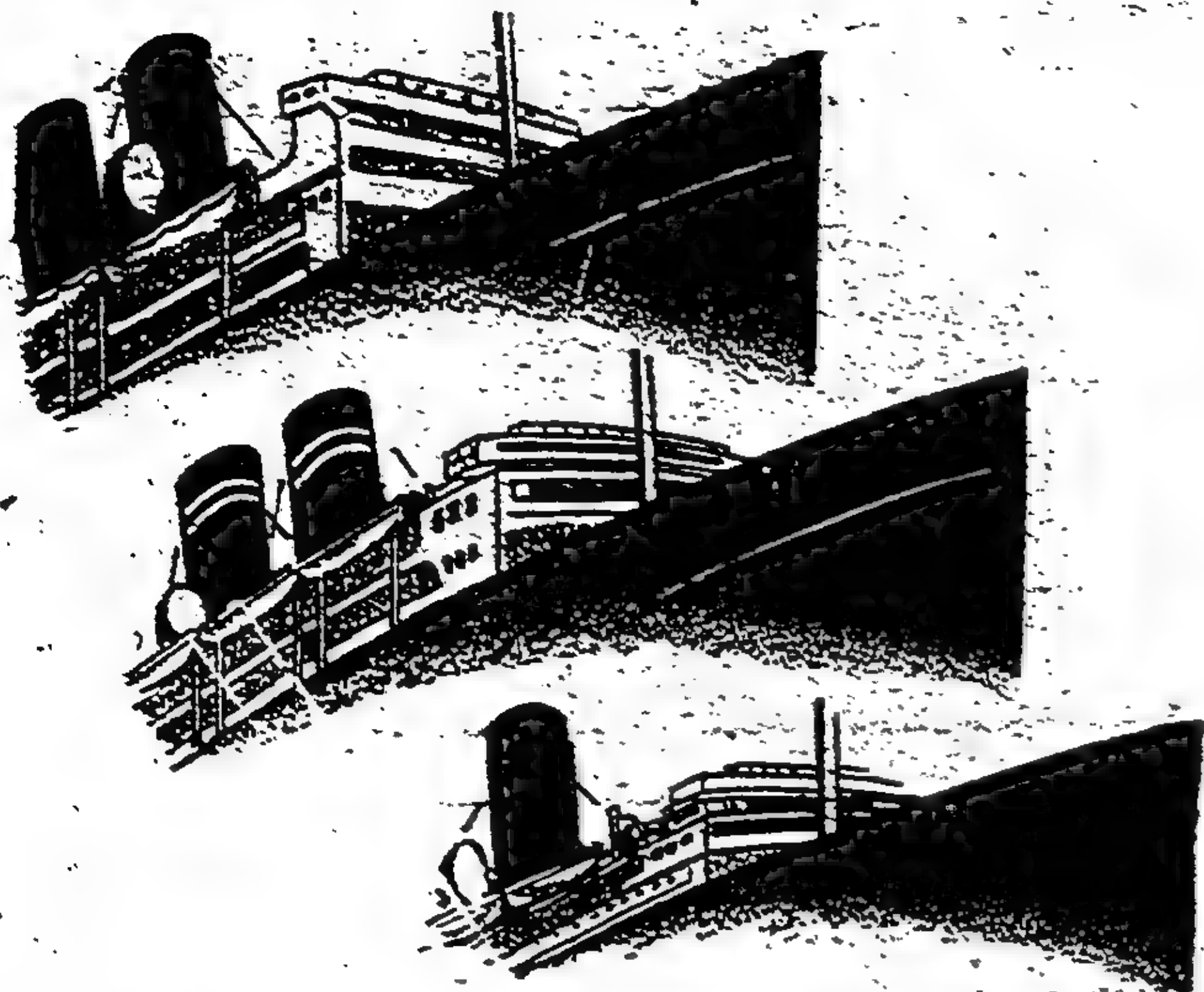


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SHARP RISE
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U.S. "Hold-Off" Strike
Terminated?

ROD FOR OWN BACK

London, To-day.
Following yesterday's sharp advance in rubber, well-informed quarters are keenly speculating whether it signifies the end of the "hold off" strike on the part of United States consumers. It is pointed out that disclosure of the British Government's rearmament plans may be causing the latter to realise that it is hoping for a little too much to expect any major recession of prices during the next three months, at the end of which American consumers would be forced to replenish their stocks. Moreover, some quarters are of the opinion that increasing speculative interest on both sides of the Atlantic reflects a realisation that the holding-off tactics of American consumers can only result in their making a rod for their own back. In this connexion it is interesting to contrast the attitude of Italian consumers, who have latterly effected extremely heavy forward purchases in London.—Reuter.

SINGAPORE RAW RUBBER

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co., received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

	Buyers	Up
Spot	36 1/2	Up 1/4
March	36 1/2	Up 1/4
Apr./June	37 1/2	Up 1/4
July/Sept.	37 1/2	Up 1/4

Market:—Firm.

RUMANIA DEMANDS CASH

Vienna, To-day.
Austria's shortage of foreign exchange has caused a hitch in the negotiations that have been going on for some time with Rumania for a trade agreement. The Austrian delegation have now returned to Vienna from Bucharest after Rumania had insisted on the provision that deliveries of oil to Austria must be paid in freely negotiable currency.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL SHARE
MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:

BANKS	
Hong Kong Bank	\$1860 b.
Bank of East Asia	\$35 b.
INSURANCES	
Union Ins.	\$620 b. \$622 1/2 sa.
SHIPPING	
Douglases	\$33 b.
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.	
H. K. and W. Docks	\$19 1/2 b. \$20 sa.
MINING	
Raubs	\$13.10 b.
LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.	
H. and S. Hotels	\$5.65 sa.
H. K. Lands	\$36 1/2 s.
Marsmans Hong Kong	10/- s.
PUBLIC UTILITIES	
H. K. Tramways	\$13.30 b.
Peak Trams (Old)	\$4 1/2 b.
Star Ferries	\$83 b.
Yauwatti Ferries	\$13 1/2 b. \$13.80/.85 sa.
H. K. Electrics	\$57 1/2 b.
Sandakan Lights	\$10 1/2 b.
INDUSTRIALS	
STORES, & C.	
Dairy Farms	\$23.70 b.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Cottons	Sh. \$16 b.
Shanghai Cottons (Old)	Sh. \$102 b.
Shanghai Cotton (New)	Sh. \$77 b.
MISCELLANEOUS	
Constructions (New)	40 cts. b.
Opening	B. Sa.
10 a.m.	L. L.
in Pesos	C. C.

Antamoks	1.50
Atoks	.48
Baguio Gold	.29
Balatoe Mining	.14 1/2
Benguet Consol.	.13 1/2
Benguet Explor.	.19
Big Wedge	.33 1/2
Coco Grove	.77
Consolidated Mines	.047
Demonstrations	.93
E. Mindanao	.35 1/2
Gumans G'field	.30
Ip Gold	.32 1/2
L. X. L.	1.50
Itogons	1.50
Masbate Consol.	.44 1/2
Min. Resources	.40
Northern Mining	.15
Paracale Gumans	.70
Salacot Mining	.07 1/2
San Mauricio	3.10
Suyoc Consol.	.46
United Paracales	1.20
Dayaka	.31
Crown Mines	.23

LOCAL DOLLAR

Silver Prices Steady

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1/2-27/32.
"Spot" silver was quoted at 20 1/2 and "forward" at 20-1/16.
The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at \$—U.S.\$4.83.9.

COMMODITY PRICES

The following quotations have been received by Reuter:—

	Prev.	Yesterday
	Closing	Closing
New York Cotton:		
March	12.78	12.83
July	12.43	12.42
October	11.93	11.89
December	11.90	11.84
January	11.89 1/2	11.87
Spot	13.18	13.20
New York Rubber:		
March	21.70	21.85 1/2
May	21.86	21.98
July	21.00	22.18
September	22.02	22.21
December	22.07 1/2	22.26 1/2
Chicago Wheat:		
May	131 1/4	130 3/4
July	114 1/2	113 3/4
September	112	110 1/2
Chicago Corn:		
May	106 1/2	106
July	102	101 1/2
September	95 1/2	94 1/2
Winnipeg Wheat:		
May	124	123 1/2
July	120 1/4	119 1/2
October	109 1/2	108 3/4

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FIFTH AND VITAL TEST TO-DAY



Walter Hammond, above, will probably have to shoulder the major responsibility of to-day's final Test Match against Australia as he is English's chief batting hope, and a more than useful change bowler.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY FINAL TO-MORROW

England Will Meet Wales

CHANGES MADE BY BOTH TEAMS

Thrilling Rugby should be the order of the day to-morrow on the Royal Naval Recreation Club ground, Causeway Bay, where England will meet Wales in the final of the local International Tournament and which will be preceded by an "A" fifteen clash between the Club and the United Services.

England have made one change in their line-up, strengthening their attack by the inclusion of Roy Butcher, at stand-off-half, while Spr. Carter, who gave a very fine performance in the latter position last Saturday, will be seen in the threequarter line, supporting Bidwell on the wing.

Wales have also made a change and have likewise strengthened their attack with the inclusion of L/Cpl. (52) Davies in the threequarter line, Lewis having been dropped, while Fus. Bagby makes his first appearance in the pack instead of E.R.A. Evans.

The following are some of the teams for to-morrow:—

England:—M. H. Curtis; Spr. Carter, H. D. Bidwell, Lt. Davenport and A. B. Northcott; A. H. R. Butcher and Sgt. Eves; Mne. Dumbleton, W. E. Peers, E. R. A. Bevis; I. H. Bradford, A. W. Holden; Lt. Mayden, R.N., Cpl. Harrison, J. Redman.

Wales:—Fus. Barry; L/Cpl. Jones, Cpl. (52) Davies, Lieut. Rice-Evans, Fus. Wilkins; Fus. Floyd and Fus. Preece; A. F. Walkden, Fus. Bebb, Fus. Morgan; Cpl. (48) Davies, Fus. Hoolahan; Fus. Watkins, Fus. Chaney and Fus. Bagby.

Club "A" XV:—H. F. Hopkins; H. van Leeuwen, W. E. Grieve, M. Carruthers and K. A. Munro; D. Hynes and J. L. Bonnar; A. G. Dalziel; D. K. Pau; H. W. Heath; N. M. Currie, B. Hynes, K. A. Watson, B. O'M. Deane and P. H. Pratt.

FRANCE, GERMANY WIN AT ICE HOCKEY

London, February 19. — In the international ice hockey games being held here, France beat Sweden yesterday, 2-0, while Germany beat Rumania, 4-2. —Havas.

TOSS OF COIN WILL PLAY BIG PART

MELBOURNE WICKET MAY BE "GLUEPOT"

CHANCE FOR BADCOCK?

HOWEVER bad the weather conditions at Melbourne are likely to be over the next week, I can confidently predict that the attendance figures for the Fifth and deciding Test Match, which starts to-day, will be something very much out of the ordinary.

THE PRESENT SERIES HAVE BEEN REMARKABLE IN MANY RESPECTS. ENGLAND, AFTER THEIR FIRST FEW PERFORMANCES IN AUSTRALIA, WERE CONCEDED VERY LITTLE CHANCE OF EXTENDING, WHAT WAS THOUGHT TO BE, ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL SIDES EVER FIELDIED BY THE AUSTRALIANS.

The critics were thoroughly confounded, however, and the home team were not only extended, but decisively beaten, by 322 runs at Brisbane, and an innings and 22 runs at Sydney, placing England in the enviable position of being two matches to the good at the outset.

Bradman and Company then staged a come-back and won the last two, with the result that both teams are now on level terms, with the "Ashes" depending on this match.

A significant feature of all the games so far played, is that the side winning the toss, has emerged victorious and the luck of the toss is certain to again be a very important factor, especially as the reports of the M.C.C. — Victoria match concluded this week, indicate unsettled weather conditions and a gluepot wicket.

CHIPPERFIELD INJURED

Australia have already nominated thirteen players, who have been invited to attend the Melbourne ground to-day. It is always unwise to alter a winning team and all the eleven who did service at Adelaide, with the exception of Chipperfield, who is on the injured list, are among these players.

The absence of Chipperfield through injury, will probably mean that Badcock, the youthful South Australian batsman, will be given another chance and there is also the possibility that Rigg, who was not successful in the last match, will be dropped in favour of Sievers, who in addition to being a fine bat is a bowler liable to run through any side on a wicket in the slightest degree susceptible to spin, as this one is almost certain to be.

NASH'S INCLUSION

L. Nash, a fast bowler, is hardly likely to be given a chance of winning his laurels, in a game as important as this one, and unless McCormick's back injury recurs, he is not likely to find a place.

I cannot see Allen making any changes in the England eleven, unless it is the substitution of Sims for Farnes. The latter met with Test recognition for the first time at Adelaide, and although the figures he returned were not by any means startling, they were nevertheless distinctly useful (3 for 71 in the first innings and 2 for 89, in the second.) Unless the Melbourne wicket has dried out well and is fast, he is unlikely to meet with success. In addition, the fact that Sims is a useful bat and Farnes is not, will probably weigh the scales in the former's favour. The stage is now set for what

PROBABLE TEAMS

The following are the probable teams:—

England.	Australia.
G. O. E. Allen (Capt.)	D. G. Bradman (Capt.)
R. E. S. Wyatt	J. H. Fingleton
R. W. V. Robins	W. A. Brown
Verity	C. L. Badcock
Hammond	S. J. McCabe
Leyland	E. L. McCormick
Ames	W. A. Oldfield
Hardstaff	W. J. O'Reilly
Voce	M. W. S. Sievers
Sims	L. O. B. Fleetwood-Smith
Barnett	R. Gregory.

promises to be the most memorable match in the history of the series, and we can only hope now, that the issue will be decided without an "Incidents" cropping up.

The England team was selected yesterday and with the exception of Worthington, who has been selected in preference to Sims, the same as that forecasted. Whether Farnes, Hardstaff or Worthington will be dropped, will, I imagine, be dependant on the weather and the state of the wicket.

G. O. Allen (Capt.), R. E. S. Wyatt, R. W. V. Robins, C. J. Barnett, M. Leyland, W. R. Hammond, W. Voce, H. Verity, T. S. Worthington, K. Farnes, L. E. Ames and J. Hardstaff. —Reuter.

WALTER HAGEN'S WIFE SUES FOR DIVORCE

Desertion Alleged

Trenton, New Jersey, January 28.

Mrs. Edna C. Hagen, wife of Walter Hagen, the famous American golfer, has filed a petition for divorce, charging her husband with desertion during a holiday in Florida.

Walter Hagen, one of the world's greatest golf personalities, has won the British open championship four times—in 1922, 1924, 1928 and 1929, and has also held the American open championship.



G. O. "Gubby" Allen, the England captain, above, will lead the team against Australia in the fifth and final Test Match which commences to-day at Melbourne.

BOYS' SOCCER LEAGUE

PROGRAMME FOR TO-MORROW

QUEEN'S COLLEGE FAVOURED

After a lapse of 14 years, competitive football among schools is to make a fresh start to-morrow. The presence of Army Boys in the League should make the competition all the more interesting. To-morrow mark the opening of the programme with three, which should produce some exciting encounters.

It is very gratifying to note that Queen's College, for many years one of the most sporting of the Government Schools, have also entered and though no opportunity has been afforded to see them in action it is learned that they have a good team. Past pupils will recall the many thrilling games of this institution against Diocesan Boys School and St. Joseph's College in the old days.

Another League newcomer is the Far East Flying Training School, who have joined at the last minute. This team have had little time to get together.

Wah Yan, under the Jesuit Fathers, have made great strides in sports in recent years and if this progress is any criterion, the College should be able to fully extend the other teams.

Last Wednesday, the Fusilier Boys had their final try-out when they met a men's team and lost by the odd goal in five. Griffiths, in goal, who played for the Army boys against the Civilian Boys, was in great form and brought off several fine saves, while Wheeler, Taylor and Prichard were also outstanding.

The following are the fixtures for the next two week-ends:—

TO-MORROW	
St. Joseph's	v. Queen's (St. Joseph's, 4.15 p.m.)
Rifles	v. Wah Yan (Military, Happy Valley, 2.45 p.m.)
Flying School	v. La Salle (Military, Happy Valley, 4.15 p.m.)
SATURDAY, MARCH 6	
La Salle	v. Wah Yan (Military, Happy Valley, 3 p.m.)
Queen's	v. Flying School (Military, Happy Valley, 4.30 p.m.)
Central British	v. St. Joseph's (Prince Edward Road, 3 p.m.)
Rifles	v. Seaforts (Prince Edward Road, 4.30 p.m.)

INTERPORT HOCKEY TRIAL HELD



Patanb, of the Kumaon Rifles, above, who is probably the best hockey left-winger in the Colony at the moment, is at present on the sick list and a doubtful starter for the Interport match against Macau on March 7, at Macau.

NEAR UPSET IN BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP

Broadbridge And Gray Lose

RECREIO PAIR EXTENDED

(By "ADREM")

At St. Andrew's Church Hall last night, L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva, of Club de Recreio "A", beat S. A. Gray and F. A. Broadbridge of St. Andrews "A", in the Second Round of the Open Doubles Badminton Championship by scores of 15-9, 15-12.

The first set proved very disappointing, none of the players reaching anything like their normal form. The Recreio pair won, not so much on their own merits, as on the numerous errors made by their opponents.

At the start of the second set, it looked very much as though Carvalho and Silva would run away with the match, Gray and Broadbridge, however, settled down and making some fine recoveries, drew to within striking distance, and at one period actually took the lead at 11-10. The winners then steadied down and ran out the winners.

LACK OF COMBINATION

Carvalho and Silva, have been the most consistent, if not ranked as the best Recreio pair this season, and it came as a great surprise to see their lack of combination. On many occasions they were both caught going for the same shot, and it was only their speed and the inability of their opponents to force home advantages, that permitted them to win.

Gray and Broadbridge, both gave plucky performances, especially in the final set and were unlucky not to carry the issue to a final set. With a little more practice together they might have been responsible for one of the biggest upsets of the current championship.

MARCEL THIL ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

World Middleweight Boxing Champion

Paris, February 18

Marcel Thil, French middleweight champion and recognised as world champion throughout Europe, to-day announced his retirement. His bout with Lou Brouillard here Monday night ended in the sixth round when he was brought to the

GOOD TALENT ON DISPLAY

FULL-BACK DIVISION WEAKNESS

LT. WRIGHT IN LIMELIGHT

(By "STICKS")

DISMAL conditions greeted the hockey players who participated in the first Interport hockey trial in preparation for the game against Macau on March 7, but in spite of this some sparkling play was witnessed.

THE ROYAL ENGINEERS SUPPLIED THE OPPOSITION AT VERY SHORT NOTICE AND GAVE A ROUSING DISPLAY IN THE FACE OF A BETTER TEAM. AND WERE DEFEATED BY 6 CLEAR GOALS AFTER THE INTERPORT TRIAL ELEVEN HAD LED BY FOUR CLEAR GOALS AT THE INTERVAL.

Unfortunately only one goalkeeper, U. B. Souza, was on view, and he did not inspire the usual confidence, his kicking being wild. Three full-backs were seen, E. L. Gosano opening the game at left-back with A. E. P. Guest, as his colleague, but he was unfortunately hit in the right temple by the ball from a kicking-clearance by Souza, and although not badly injured, had to leave the field of play until the interval, his place being filled by Lt. L. H. Stileman, of H.M.S. Danae.

Guest did not give a sound display and his dilly-dally methods nearly cost his team a goal on two occasions, when he was caught by an opposing forward. Guest has unfortunately fallen into a rut and will find it extremely difficult to rid himself of the ball quickly, but there was not much to choose between him and Lt. Stileman, who, although quick on the clearance, did not position himself to the best advantage.

NEAT INTERCEPTIONS

Gosano was always very steady and cleared soundly without ever wasting a hit. He came back in the second half to partner Stileman and was never passed, his neat interceptions proving a thorn in the Sappers' attack.

Unfortunately for the selectors, Joginder Singh, of the Kumaon Rifles, who should have played at right-back, was on the injured list.

Four half-backs were on display. Spr. Brown, J. Parker, W. A. Reed and J. Gonsalves, and of these the first and the latter two impressed.

In the opening half of the game, Parker was seen at inside-left in support of Wall and made several good openings, but he was much too slow in attempting to score, and consequently the selectors moved him back to right-half, where he did not shine.

NASTY KNOCK

Brown, who was seen at right-half in the opening period, was evidently still suffering from a nasty knock he received last Wednesday in the R.E. Club match.

canvass in the sixth round by a blow which the referee ruled low. Thil was awarded the bout on a foul and thereby retained his claim to the title.

In announcing his retirement, Thil said he would retain his claim to the championship. The International Boxing Union announced that after a reasonable lapse of time it would invite fighters from all over the world to compete for the championship.

The Frenchman's claim to the title has never been recognised in the United States where Freddie Steele is at present regarded as the Champion.

ATTENTION ALL WELSH HOCKEY PLAYERS

Will all Welsh hockey players who desire to represent Wales in the local International Hockey Tournament, held under the auspices of the Hong Kong Hockey Association kindly get in touch with Capt. L. L. Gwydyr-Jones, 2nd Battalion, the Royal Welch Fusiliers, immediately, as it is hoped to hold a trial game as soon as possible.

When E. V. Reed hit a rising ball, the missile striking Brown behind the left-ear from five yards range, and was obvious that he was still feeling the ill-effects.

Reed was as usual, brilliant in the pivotal position and in spite of the slippery conditions in the second half, was always in position to take the ball. Gonsalves was very steady and should have no difficulty in making the team.

Six forwards were on view. S. Fowler, on the right-wing, combined very effectively with Lt. Wright and scored a fine opening goal. He was very fast and sent across several glorious centres, despite the slippery conditions prevailing in the second half. Wright, at inside-right, is another certainty for the team and gave a brilliant display. His wonderful stick-work and speed carried him through the opposing defence time and again and he worked very smoothly with Pyara Singh, who gave one of his best exhibitions to date. These three players should make the team without much opposition.

FOWLER IMPRESSES

Two players were seen in the inside-left berth. Parker, in the first half, worked well with Wall, his winger, and gave Pyara Singh several good openings, but he failed to score himself.

G. H. Fowler, seen in the same position during the second half, was given a more severe test in view of the wet conditions and acquitted himself very favourably. On a dry ground he will make an ideal inside-left to Pyara Singh and I cannot see Parker displace him here.

In the unavoidable absence of



Spr. Brown, above, had a very narrow escape from serious injury last Wednesday when a hockey ball struck him from almost point-blank range behind the left ear. He was seen in yesterday's Interport hockey trial.

TURF HANDICAPS FOR TO-MORROW'S RACE MEETING

Nil Desperandum Stakes

The draw of starters for the two divisions of the Nil Desperandum Stakes and the handicap events for to-morrow's "off day" of the Annual Race Meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club are as follows:

The Nil Desperandum Stakes, First Section.—Barometer, Chiu Shan, Ding Dong, Dragonfly, Election Day, Feltar, Ling Long, Mac's Adventure, March Brown, National Faith, Peak View, Playboy, Radium, Shipmaster, The Baboon, Weedon Seat.

The Nil Desperandum Stakes, Second Section.—Air Mail, Busok, China Clipper, Clowney, Feudal Knight, Happy Venture, Malolo, National Anthem, Persian Cat, Prospero, Successful Time, Tempest, Tze Tin, Whalsey, Yum Sing.

Griffin Spring Handicap, One Mile.—Apilas, 144; Centre Forward, 154; Election Time, 149; Firefly, 152; King's Coronation, 147; King's Highway, 144; Kum Shan, 154; Laughing Cavalier, 156; National Spirit, 147; Bob Boy, 152; Scenic View, 161; Tim, 147; Vira, 150.

Pheasant Handicap, 2 Mile Post Once Round and In.—Burgomaster, 140; Cavalcade, 140; Copper Idol, 140; Don, 140; Donovan, 145; Gold Coin, 148; Gold Sovereign, 140; Heriot, 140; Laughing Buddha, 140; Locksmith, 155; Miracle, 153; Night View, 168; Ocean View, 140; Old Star, 140; Philanderer, 140; Plain View, 140; Pride of Tsingtao, 146; Racing Boy, 140; 17th of September, 140; Stopwatch, 140; Sylvandale, 152; The Hero, 145; Victoria Hall, 148; Wadebridge, 144; Wild Cat, 158; Young Chap, 145.

Happy Valley Spring Handicap, "A" Division, 2 Mile Post Once Round and In.—Bright View, 147; Cyclamen Bay, 140; Hetman, Scratched; Honeymoon Eve, 168; Kinora, 140; King's Justice, 140; King's Lead, 140; Mistake Bay, 157; Oak Bay, 154; Rose-Queen, 148; Soldier of Britain, 167.

Happy Valley Spring Handicap, "B" Division, 2 Mile Post Once Round and In.—Amberley, 140; Flybnight, 140; Gold Coin, 140; Harvest View, 168; High Honour, 140; Jungle Jim, 154; King's Bounty, 150; King's Jubilee, 151; King's Sceptre, Scratched; Laughing Girl, 140; Mayflower, 140; Monoplane, 145; Pontiac Bay, 155; Soldier of China, 157; Soldier of Peace, 154; Tyne, 161; Valorous, 140; Victoria Hall, 140; Wadebridge, 140; Ythan, 151.

Patanb, the Kumaon Rifles' brilliant left-winger who is sick, Wall of the Police, was seen on the left-wing, and gave a very good performance. But Wall has not the trickiness of the diminutive Kumaon Rifleman and I feel it would be a mistake to leave the latter out of the Interport side.

The selectors were not entirely satisfied with yesterday's trial and another one will probably be held on Sunday morning.

Wright (3) and S. Fowler scored in the first half and Pyara Singh netted both goals in the second half for the Interport trial side.

CHARLTON'S DEBT TO TWO BROTHERS AMOUNT IS NEARLY PAID OFF

JIMMY SEED'S GOOD EFFORTS

London, January 29.

IT is an unfortunate fact that money makes so great a difference to things in sport. If anything should be independent of the existence or otherwise of "filthy lucre" it should surely be so beneficial a thing as sport.

BUT WHILE MANY CLUBS OF ALL KINDS ARE A STANDING TESTIMONY TO THE "NEGATIVE" POWER OF THE ABSENCE OF CASH, THERE IS A CLUB IN THE FIRST DIVISION OF THE ENGLISH FOOTBALL LEAGUE THAT IS SHOWING WHAT MONEY CAN DO.

REFEREE INJURED IN SHANGHAI

ROWDYISM REARS ITS HEAD

BASKETBALL TIE SEQUEL

Shanghai, February 20.

Rowdiness reared its head again last night at the Pavilion and with disastrous results, for Referee W. S. Liu was badly man-handled by members of the Liang-Chi basketball quintette which led to the arrest of three of the players, who were held in custody by Chinese police up till a late hour.

The three players were said to have been the ringleaders of the attack, and they were arrested at the request of the referee and the C.N.A.A.F. authorities.

The unfortunate incident occurred after Liang-Chi had lost to Nan Tsing by 37 to 32 yesterday evening. Although the outcome had no bearing on the championship, as both teams are near the bottom of the junior league, the losers were apparently aroused over what they considered unfair decisions on the part of Referee Liu.

BADLY BEATEN

Just as the referee was leaving the floor upon conclusion of the tussle, he was made the target of an attack by the losers, who punched and kicked him. Their man-handling tactics were quickly nipped in the bud by sportsmen, but not before Referee Liu was badly beaten.

A call for police was made and three offenders were taken into

custody. Just what steps will be taken is not definitely known, but the referee and the C.N.A.A.F. authorities are said to have taken a serious view of the incident and may press charges of assault against the three arrested members of the Liang-Chi team.

For without detracting one scrap from the merits of the club's talent, there is no doubt that Charlton Athletic owe not a little to the generous gifts of two brothers. They are the chairman and vice-chairman of the club—Messrs. Albert and Stanley Gliksten respectively—who have as good as cleared the club of debt, though partly by spreading it over a number of years. It seems incredible, but when these brothers came to the rescue five years ago the club owed no less than \$65,000.

DISCOURAGED?—NO

If the sum is enough to stagger the disinterested outsider what must its effect have been on the struggling Third Division club, as it was then? The best talent in the world would be discouraged—and would have to be hampered in their needs in so far as these would cost money.

But even finance cannot do alone what has been achieved, in large part, by the energetic management of J. Seed.

CHAMPION JOCKEY HONOURED

A pleasing function was held at the Gloucester Hotel last night when ex-members of the Davie Boag Mess attended a dinner in honour of the coming wedding between Mr. Donald Black, the 1936 champion jockey and an ex-President of the Davie Boag Mess, and Miss Helen Mickel. Those present were Messrs. N. M. Currie, W. A. Stewart, W. Fleming, W. L. Alexander, T. Low, D. Black, G. Milne and G. C. Burnett.

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Women Athletes For British Empire Games?

London, February 20.—English women athletes are hoping to take part in the Empire Games in Australia, which begin in 1938.

The possibility of sending a women's team is being discussed at the next meeting of the British Empire Games Council.

"It is a question of cost. To send a team to Australia costs \$150 a

head," said a women's A.A.A. official. "If the council decides to send women there would be no difficulty about raising a team."

"Girl athletes are even willing to give up their business posts in order not to miss such a wonderful opportunity. It means four months' absence from England, but it is the chance of a lifetime."

CROSS-COUNTRY RUN ON MARCH 21

Shanghai Championship Will Cover Six Miles

Shanghai, February 20. The Shanghai cross-country championship, the big event of the year for local harriers, will take place on Sunday, March 21, and will be run over a distance of six miles of road and country. In addition to individual honours for the first men home the event is also open to teams. Each team will comprise ten runners, and the first eight home will count for points.

There will definitely be no post-entrance. This is a Shanghai championship and entrants will be required to have a resident qualification of two months prior to the actual race.

MEN'S HOCKEY INTERNATIONAL AT THE OVAL

Following Lead By Women

CROWD OF 8,000 ANTICIPATED

London, January 29.

With a view to the utmost possible support being given to the England and Ireland match, which for the first time will be played at the Surrey Cricket Ground, Kennington Oval, on March 13, the Southern Counties H. A. have asked all clubs in the metropolitan area to cancel their fixtures for that date.

It is expected that there will be a generous response to this appeal, and that some clubs will play their matches in the morning.

In playing an international match at the Oval the men are following the lead of the women, who have already played two matches there,

THIS YEAR'S MATCH PLAY GOLF EVENT

STOKE POGES THE VENUE

HENRY COTTON IS LIKELY WINNER

(By "THE TWELFTH MAN")

London, January 30.

I hear that the course of the Stoke Poges Golf Club has been chosen for the finals of this year's match play championship, which start on September 14.

For those who are fond of trying to pick winners on the principle of "horses for courses," Henry Cotton would be a good choice for this event.

He was in the final at Stoke Poges in 1928, when C. A. Whitcombe beat him after a grand match, but since then Cotton has been Open champion, and his game has improved a great deal.

ONCE A 79 BOGEY

Stoke Poges ought to suit Cotton. When stretched out to its best length it is a real man's course, and at one time had the high bogey score of 79.

Those long, high, iron shots which are such a feature of Cotton's play and the envy of every amateur in the game, are well suited to Stoke, especially if the greens are a little holding on the days of the tournament.

and on each occasion attracted over 8,000 spectators.

It has been decided to charge for admission to the ground for the men's match. Applications in advance for stand tickets should be made to the secretary of the Surrey County Cricket Club.

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In spite of speculation now raging in the United States as to whom will represent them in the Davis Cup contest, last year's four comprising Wilmer Allison, left Donald Budge, right, Gene Mako, top centre, and Bryan M. "Bitty" Grant, bottom centre, are again serious contenders for the position.

COLONY BADMINTON RESULTS

MANY MATCHES PLAYED OFF

The following are the results to-date in the Men's Singles, Men's Doubles and Mixed Doubles Colony Badminton Championships.

So far all fixtures in the three sections have been played off satisfactorily, only two walkovers having been conceded, one in the Men's Singles when Eddy da Sousa scratched to F. H. Kwok, and the other in the Mixed Doubles, where P. K. Hui and Miss Ulian Khoo received a walkover from S. W. Liang and Miss W. Cheung.

MEN'S SINGLES

P. H. Wong beat P. C. Leung 15-0, 15-2.
K. S. Liew beat S. W. Liang 17-14, 17-15.
C. E. Chng beat Lui Kwai-yan 15-1, 15-1.
F. H. Kwok received a walkover from E. da Sousa.
P. K. Hui beat F. Koh 15-0, 15-5.
T. C. Lee beat S. A. Gray 15-7, 15-4.
A. L. Fisher beat N. A. E. Mackay 15-9, 17-4.

MEN'S DOUBLES

P. H. Wong and C. E. Chng beat A. J. Bennett and D. Kwok 15-5, 15-7.
F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang beat M. Weil and W. H. S. Davis 15-12, 15-9.
T. C. Lee and P. K. Hui beat A. Chan and N. A. E. Mackay 15-2, 15-4.
K. S. Liew and K. L. Yong beat H. Kew and E. F. Fincher 15-12, 4-15, 15-13.
J. J. Ong and F. Koh beat C. H. Soon and P. E. Tan 15-5, 15-5.
M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios beat A. E. Xavier and H. A. Barros 15-3, 15-3.
L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva beat S. A. Gray and F. A. Broadbridge 15-9, 15-2.

MIXED DOUBLES

P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo received a walkover from S. W. Liang and Miss W. Cheung.
L. A. Carvalho and Miss C. Silva beat A. L. Fisher and Miss R. Perry 15-8, 15-10.

"TENNIS TACTICS" BY FRED PERRY

Former Champion Makes Hollywood Film

Fred Perry, former holder of the British and American amateur tennis championships, who recently appeared in Madison Square Garden for his first professional match in which he defeated Ellsworth Vines of California, has completed a short film dealing with the sport.

The film, which is called "Tennis Tactics," will soon be released as a special feature with introductory comments by Pete Smith, the sports announcer.

TO-NIGHT'S BADMINTON ENCOUNTER

Free Lances Will Meet Varsity

Only one fixture in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League will be played off this evening, the encounter between Recreio "A" and Kowloon Tong having been postponed until a later date.

The Free Lances will entertain the University at the Eu Tong Sen Gymnasium, where they were sensationally defeated by 7 games to 2 by the undergraduates on February 5. J. L. Anderson and Miss M. Griffiths and A. L. Fisher and Miss A. MacKenzie should each win sets.

The chances of the undergraduates conceding the match are remote, but there is no doubt that the Free Lances will put up a strong resistance.

PROBABLE STARTERS FOR TURF CLASSIC

Grand National And Lincolnshire

London, To-day.

The following are the probable starters and jockeys for the Grand National:

Golden Miller (Walwyn), Royal Mail (Williams), Drimmore Lad (Morgan), What-Have-You (Mr. Street), Ready Cash (Carey), De La Neige (Hamey), Dawmar (Ward), Didoric (Nicholson), Tapinois (Scratchley), De la Chance (Maloney), Blue Prince (Parvin), Buckthorn (Pigott), Ego (Mr. Llewellyn), Don Bradman (Mr. Marsh), Keen Blaze (Mr. Paget), Puckabellie (Mr. Bailey), Crown Prince (Elder), Sea Rover (Wandby), Sunspot II (Everett), Emancipator (Mr. Cazelet), Misdemeanour II (Magee), Pencraik (Archibald), Dryburgh (Carter), Drim (Mr. Tighe), Irvine (Bastor), Blaze (Maxwell), Uncle Batt (McCarthy), Fieldmaster (Mr. Densham), Sugar Loaf (Carr), True Blue (Mr. Cohen), Spionaud (Brown).

Hobbs rides Battleship or Flying Minutes, Wilson rides Thieffrey or Milk Punch, Fawcens rides Colleen or Bachelor Prince.

No jockeys have yet been assigned to Dohble Crossed, Kiltol, Passing Fancy, and Sphinx III.

THE LINCOLNSHIRE

The following are the probable starters for the Lincolnshire Handicap:

King's Gap (Rickaby), Voltas (Taylor), Pricket (Carlake), Overcoat (Beary), Nipaway (Gethin), Theo (Cliff Richards), Edgehill (E. S. Smith), Inchkeith (Nevett), Monte Sano (Lowrey), Laureat II (Gordon Richards), Kylosol Minard (Sirett), Zelmox (Weston), Boston West (Gardner), Jindo (Marshall), Fleetfoot (Crouch), Precious Pearl (Nicoll), Oremus (Gunn), Liscloon (Packham), Fairplay (Harry Wragge), Marmaduke Kinks (D. Smith), Lost Scent (Sharples), Capel Gill (Evans), Ozer (Donoghue), Scotch Rout (Christie), Bong (Sam Wragge), Straight Deal (Mather), Stella Warden (Richardson), Swiftsure (Doyle), Vitamen (Robertson), Takemy (Watts), Vasistas (Barham), Coldron (Reeves), Haelen (Wing).—Reuter.

JOHN OAKES INCIDENT HAS SEQUEL

INQUIRY ASKED BY CHARLTON

CAUTION WHICH WAS RESENTED

(By "The Twelfth Man")
London, January 30.

More is certain to be heard of the incidents arising out of the Coventry City v. Charlton Athletic Cup-tie regarding the conduct of the referee, Mr. P. Snape, in refusing to allow the Charlton trainer to come on the field and attend to John Oakes, who had been knocked out when heading the heavy ball.

Instead, the referee attended to the player himself and was just about to re-start the game when he turned to the player and cautioned him for ungentlemanly conduct — presumably in the belief that Oakes was shamming injury.

A caution for such a reason has probably never been known before, and the Charlton club felt so strongly on the matter that they immediately reported it to the Football Association and asked for a commission of inquiry to be appointed.

AWAITED WITH INTEREST

The F.A. went into the matter and instructed the referee to let them have his version of the affair. When this had been received, the Charlton club were informed that a letter would be required from the player. All the evidence is now with the Football Association and the findings are awaited with interest.

The Charlton club strongly object to what is an allegation of dishonesty on the part of their player, and John Oakes himself feels the position keenly. The referee must feel that he made an error, or no sooner had play been resumed than Oakes collapsed and the referee had no alternative but to call the trainer on to the field.

CHARLTON'S COMPLAINT

It should be emphasised that Charlton make no complaint whatever about the general control of the game by Mr. Snape, which was completely satisfactory in every other way, but they feel that the referee exceeded his duties in attending to Oakes when trainer Trotter was right on the spot and eventually had to be called. Even that might not have been taken seriously by the Charlton club, but the remarks of the referee could not be overlooked.

Dirty play or any contravention of the laws of the game are never countenanced by the Charlton management. That is one thing Charlton pride themselves on, and manager Seed is always very particular about the character of any player he signs.

COMPLIMENT FROM MR. ROUS

I well remember Mr. S. E. Rous, the secretary of the Football Association, speaking at the dinner given by the Greenwich Borough Council on the last day of the season to celebrate Charlton's promotion to the First Division.

In his response on behalf of the governing body, saying that not one single caution had been recorded during the whole season against a Charlton player. That was a great record in a season during which

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GOLF CLUB WHICH WILL BE BANNED

Makes Bunker Work
Very Easy

THE 'BLASTER' FROM AMERICA

Golfers may find that the blaster, a kind of niblick invented in the United States, may come under the ban of the Royal and Ancient committee.

This blaster never fails to get the ball out of a bunker owing to its broad sole, and also to the fact that the front edge does not touch the ground. The average weight is about 22 ounces, which is half a pound heavier than any other kind of niblick.

But all first-class golfers, professional and amateur, knew that the R. and A. were likely to take this step, and professionals had kept their stocks of it down to a minimum.

No official announcement about the ban is likely to be made until the business meeting of the R. and A. in May, when the proposal to limit the number of clubs to fourteen will also come up for discussion.

A LUXURY CLUB

The blaster, which is really a luxury club carried for special shots, might very well be banned. It has done away with the art of bunker recovery, as any "rabbit" can get out with it, even if the ball lies badly.

Lawson Little, the American who twice won the British amateur championship, carried seven or eight of these blasters. In America they are differently bevelled on the sole to suit hard, soft or wet sand.

St. Andrews banned the original type of blaster because it has a hollow face, but American ingenuity got over that by shaping the sole so that the front part was clear of the ground; thus it could not dig into the sand and cause a fluffed shot, as the very broad sole slid along the sand.

SHOULD BE BANNED

Ever since the famous Schnectady putter was banned the club with which Walter Travis was the first American to win our Amateur Championship at Sandwich in 1904, American ingenuity has been out to evolve clubs to make the game easier. The blaster is their latest development.

I have seen astonishing shots with this club and would not be sorry to see it banned.



FRED PERRY TO PLAY AT WEMBLEY

Pro. Tennis Attracts Big Crowds

(By "PETERBOROUGH")

London, January 23.

I hear that Perry may be playing in London early in May. If so, it will be at the professional lawn tennis tournament, for which arrangements are now under consideration at Wembley.

Last year, at the first tournament of this kind to be held in the Wembley Pool, Tilden brought his "circus." He met and was defeated by Vines in the final.

The game attracted 7,000 spectators. Had it been held earlier in the season instead of in October, there would almost certainly have been a full house.

A COMPARISON

The Pool at Wembley accommodates 11,000. There were 15,000 spectators at the finals of the Wimbledon singles last season.

It remains to be seen whether the appearance of Perry, Vines, and other stars will have any effect on the public attendance at Wimbledon later in the season.

JOHN OAKES INCIDENT HAS SEQUEL

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every game was more like a cup-tie, as promotion meant a Football League record.

STIGMA OF THE CAUTION

The stigma that such a caution carries is particularly unfortunate in the case of John Oakes because there is no bigger-hearted player in the game than the Charlton centre-half. He has often proved that and one has only to recall the game against West Ham United at Upton Park late last season.

This was a vital game for both clubs and John Oakes sustained a broken nose a few minutes after the start. He had to have it plugged before he could resume, and at the interval the club doctor had to renew the dressings and for the whole ten-minute interval Oakes laid down and then went out to play a noble part in a great 3-1 Charlton victory.

GOLF STARTING TIMES

Sunday's Pairings At Fanling

The following are the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanling next Sunday:-

OLD COURSE

9.20 a.m.	W. Sharp, N. K. Littlejohn.
9.24 "	P. Morrison, H. L. F. Ewin.
9.28 "	K. K. Rounds, R. Sanger.
9.32 "	R. J. K. Walker, D. J. Keogh.
9.36 "	H. N. Williamson, T. R. Chassels.
9.40 "	W. E. Hunt, K. W. Jones.
9.44 "	A. Nicol, J. Angwin.
9.48 "	C. Mycock, C. W. Jeffries.
9.52 "	H. A. Mills, C. C. Wilson.
9.56 "	G. S. Chambers, R. H. Griffiths.
10.00 "	E. Taylor, W. J. Waddington.
10.04 "	F. Marshall, W. Keith Robinson.
10.08 "	J. B. Stewart, D. D. Forbes.
10.12 "	T. Lindars, P. L. Leefe.
10.16 "	D. J. Gilmore, A. E. Lissaman.
10.20 "	S. H. Dodwell, Col. Blake.
10.24 "	A. Pinet, M. Pireme.
10.28 "	I. H. Geare, H. U. Ireland.
10.32 "	A. A. Bremner, J. Forbes.
10.36 "	A. McKellar, H. M. Alexander.
10.40 "	G. A. Stewart, A. M. Mack.
10.44 "	B. D. Evans, T. R. Rowell.
10.48 "	G. F. Rees, C. E. Moore.
10.52 "	Wing Cdr. Bishop, R. Kennedy.
11.28 "	Lt. Col. E. D. and J. Matthews.

NEW COURSE

9.24 a.m.	A. C. and Mrs. Young.
9.32 "	A. Wilson, Miss Glover.
9.40 "	G. C. Worrall, I. M. S. Lloyd.
9.48 "	Miss Steele, J. C. Dunbar.
9.56 "	F. S. Gibbings, Mrs. Burton.
10.04 "	J. D. Kinnaird, T. S. Morrison.
10.16 "	Mrs. Sturt, Mrs. Wodehouse.
10.20 "	H. H. Sturt, E. L. D. Wodehouse.
10.28 "	J. B. and Mrs. Lenyon.
10.36 "	D. L. Prophet, H. B. Forsyth.
10.40 "	A. Sommerfelt, A. W. Brown.
10.48 "	J. R. Masson, E. G. Price.
10.56 "	J. R. and Mrs. Way.
11.04 "	J. and Mrs. Harrop.

ROYAL PRINCESSES LEARN TO SWIM

Junior Members Of The Bath Club

INSTRUCTRESS AN "OLD HAND"

Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret Rose are both taking up swimming.

They are junior members of the Bath Club in Piccadilly, and are being taught to swim by Miss Daly, the instructress who taught Prince Edward and Prince Albert—the two subsequent Kings of England—nearly thirty years ago.

They are both clever and enthusiastic performers, and they can already negotiate, with a little extra effort, the whole length of the bath.

As a treat, two children are taken round the club's gallery where there is a picture of "Uncle David" romping with the other members of the club in the pool, when he was, still in his teens.

Another picture of the Duke of Windsor was taken in the club in 1906.

COVENTRY GIVEN A SHOCK

London, To-day.

Two football matches in the Second Division were played yesterday, Coventry losing at home to Leicester by two clear goals, while Swansea beat Sheffield United by the odd goal in three.—Reuter.

SPORT NOTICES

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1937

20th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 27th
February, 1937.

On Saturday, 20th, Monday, 22nd and Tuesday, 23rd February, the first bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Wednesday, 24th February, the first bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m., and the first race will be run at 12 o'clock NGON, and on Saturday, 27th February, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and the first race run at 2.00 p.m.

The tiffin interval will be taken after the fifth race on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, and after the fourth race on Wednesday.

MEMBERS BADGES AND ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, Tel. 21920.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building. Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order.

C. B. BROWN

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 15th February, 1937.



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 27th February, 1937, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1936.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 15th February to SATURDAY, the 27th February, 1937 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors

V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 8th February, 1937.

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

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Tuesday, the 2nd March, 1937
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at their Sales Room,
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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 1st day of March, 1937, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Kok Tsui in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the purchaser will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of one thousand dollars, \$1,000.00 in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the purchase price.

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Auctioneers.
Hong Kong, 23rd Feb., 1937.

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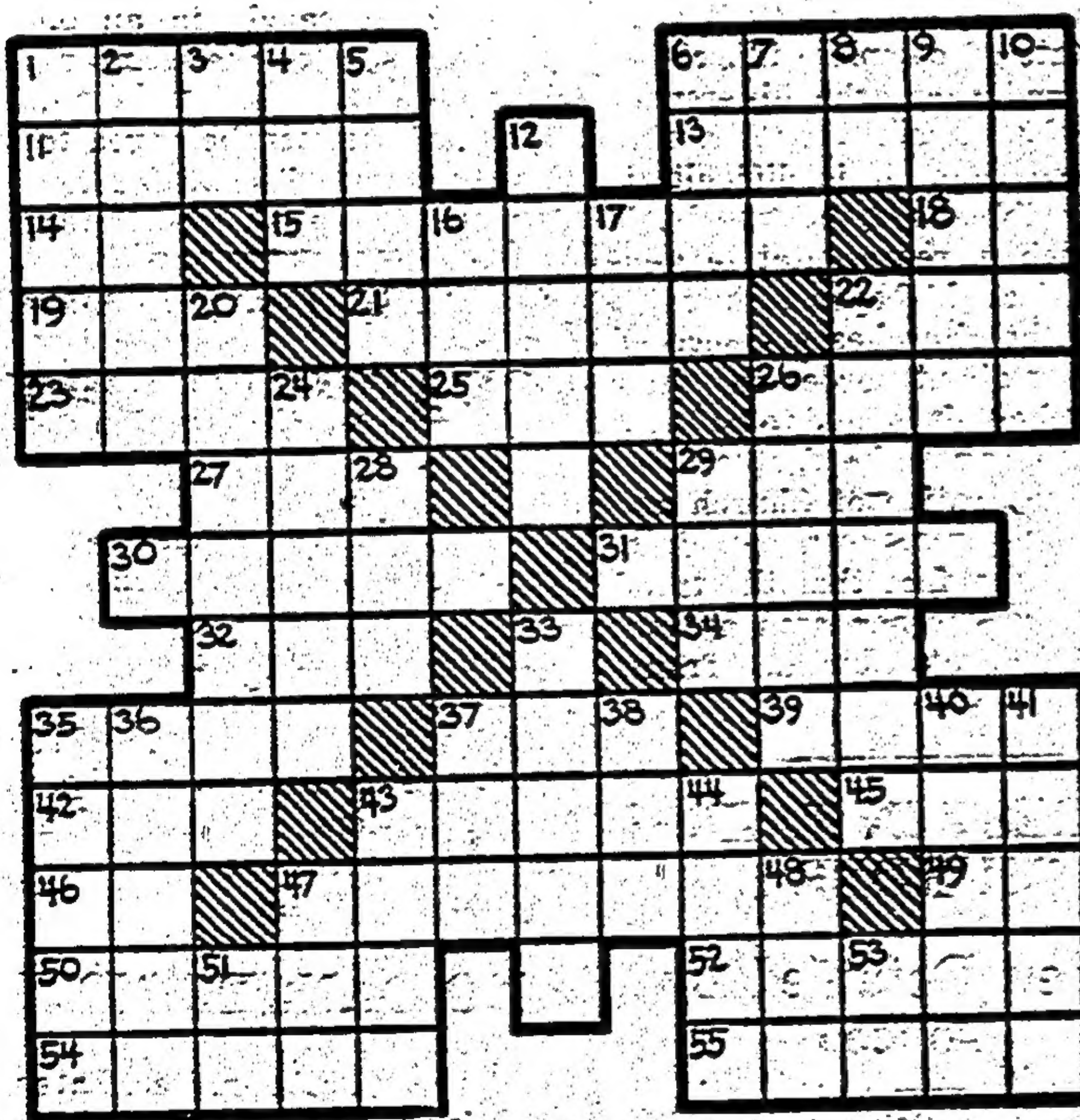
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-world puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Adventurous
- 6-Compact
- 11-Ocean vessel
- 13-Penetrates
- 14-You and me
- 15-Drank alcoholic beverages
- 18-Father
- 19-Recent
- 21-Stumber
- 22-Aeriform matter
- 23-Decorate
- 25-Besides
- 26-Heap
- 27-In no manner
- 29-Unit of work
- 30-A serpent
- 31-To fall into line
- 32-River in Poland
- 34-Ornith. Exh.
- 35-Pond
- 37-Part of a locomotive
- 39-Apparition
- 42-MAKE A MISTAKE

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 43-Foundations
- 45-Select (abbr.)
- 46-Three-toed sloth
- 47-Occurs
- 49-A degree (abbr.)
- 50-Heavy cords
- 52-Aeunder
- 54-Sleep noisily
- 55-Linger

VERTICAL

- 1-Abrupt in manner
- 2-Part of a stairway
- 3-Indefinite article
- 4-Veteran (abbr.)
- 5-Goddess of discord
- 6-Profound
- 7-Terminate
- 8-Niton (abbr.)
- 9-Part of a flower
- 10-Obliterate
- 12-Rate of motion

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 16-Employ busily in work
- 17-Allow
- 20-The British Royal House
- 22-Titters
- 24-A mode in grammar
- 25-Last king of Troy (Gr. Myth.)
- 28-Half a score
- 29-A shade tree
- 33-Grates
- 35-A fruit (pl.)
- 36-A constellation
- 37-Head covering
- 38-An insect
- 40-Lacerates
- 41-Excite
- 43-Foundation
- 44-Break suddenly
- 47-Pronoun
- 48-Mineral spring
- 51-Italian river
- 53-Symbol for gold

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

AUSTRALIA MAKE SLOW START IN FIFTH TEST FINGLETON AND RIGG DISMISSED

OPENING BATSMAN HAS TWO ESCAPES IN ONE OVER

MELBOURNE, TO-DAY.

AUSTRALIA SECURED AN ADVANTAGE RATED AT 150 RUNS WHEN DON BRADMAN WON THE TOSS IN THE FINAL TEST MATCH, BUT AT LUNCH THE AUSTRALIANS HAD LOST RIGG FOR ONLY 54 RUNS AS THE RESULT OF UNENTERPRISING BATTING AGAINST THE FAST AND ACCURATE ENGLISH ATTACK.

THE WICKET IS REPORTED TO BE PERFECT AND SELDOM HAS A MELBOURNE WICKET SHOWN SUCH GOOD BEHAVIOUR, BUT FINGLETON BATTED ALL MORNING FOR 17 RUNS!

IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT AUSTRALIA WON THE THIRD TEST ON THIS GROUND, BY 365 RUNS, AFTER BEING WELL BEATEN IN THE FIRST TWO TESTS.

The weather was sunny and hot and there was a crowd of 50,000 present when G. O. Allen and Don Bradman went out to inspect what was later reported to be a perfect wicket.

Bradman won the toss and

Australia thus took first use of the wicket.

The two Australians passed over are M. W. Sievers and W. A. Brown, while R. W. V. Robins has been dropped by the England selectors. Fishlock is England's twelfth man.

FINGLETON'S LUCK

With no wind to help either bowler, Allen and Farnes opened the English attack without any advantage against Fingleton and Rigg, but, with only one run to his credit, Fingleton was given an anxious moment when Farnes appealed confidently for an lbw decision. The umpire, however, disallowed the appeal.

Fingleton was then dropped in the same over by Allen at short fine leg.

The English attack is described as being "fast, of a good length and hostile."

Seldom has the Melbourne wicket shown such good behaviour, but before lunch the batting was most unenterprising, the first 25 runs being scored in 60 minutes!

FIRST WICKET FALLS

England met with success when the total was 42, Rigg, who played some perfect shots to leg, succumbing to his fatal weakness of nibbling at the ball just outside his off stump. He had scored 28 out of 42 in 78 minutes when Ames took the catch off Farnes.

Rigg had batted splendidly and hit two boundaries.

Bradman then joined Fingleton and the pair sent up the 50 after 87 minutes. Lunch was taken almost immediately afterwards, the score then being 54 for 1, Fingleton being 17 and Bradman 7. — Reuter.

TEST SCOREBOARD

AUSTRALIA—1ST INNS.

K. Rigg, c Ames, b Farnes 28
J. H. Fingleton, not out 17
D. G. Bradman, not out 7
Extras 2

Total (for 1 wkt.) Lunch 54

Fall of the wicket: 1 (Rigg) for 42.
B. Gregory, S. McCabe, C. L. Badcock, L. Fleetwood-Smith, W. A. Oldfield, E. L. McCormick, W. J. O'Reilly and L. E. Nash to bat. Twelfth man—W. A. Brown.

England—G. O. Allen (captain), E. S. Wyatt, Barnett, Leyland, Hammond, Voce, Verity, Worthington, K. Farnes, Ames and Hardstaff. Twelfth man—Fishlock.

LATER: AUSTRALIA 77 FOR 2 WICKETS.

Another Hunting Party

Danzig, To-day.
Dr. Greiser, President of the Danzig Senate, left here yesterday to attend a hunting party in Poland.

The President of Poland is to be a member of the party. — Trans-Ocean.

GERMANY'S CHURCH TROUBLES

GENERAL SYNOD PLAN SCHISM

CONFLICT AMONG GROUPS

Berlin, To-day.

The announcement regarding the election procedure by the Reich Church Minister for the new General Synod of the German Evangelical Church will not be made before the end of next week.

The total result of the heated controversy that has been going on since Herr Hitler announced that elections would be held is that all religious factions are convinced that a state of complete indecision prevails and that the differences between the various groups are so pronounced that it is difficult, if not impossible, to define the basis upon which a representative general Synod could be constituted.

Should the churches not succeed in bringing about order in their own household, it is held to be highly probable that the problem of complete separation of Church and State will become acute, especially in view of the fact that the trend in recent months has been against any idea of a State Church. — Trans-Ocean.

ARREST IN TAIPO MURDER

Nephew Detained By Police

Chan Lo, adopted nephew of the woman who was yesterday found strangled in her hut at Shun Wan Village, has been detained by the Police.

He had not been living at the home of deceased for six years but periodically visited her. He was seen at midnight on Wednesday with two unknown women about 200 yards from the village.

The deceased, Cheung Kni, who was about 70 years old, lived by herself in an unnumbered house and was last seen alive at about 10 p.m. on Wednesday. At five a.m. yesterday she was found by another widow lying on her back, gagged and with her hands and feet tied. Deceased was known to have about \$50 to \$100 on her, and the Police believe that robbery was the motive as the place had been thoroughly searched.

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TEA SCORE: AUSTRALIA.

200 FOR 2 WICKETS. BRAD-

MAN NOT OUT 90.

McCABE NOT OUT 61.—

REUTER.

Fingleton was out second ball after lunch.

McCabe dropped by Allen at 11.

Bradman in double century mood.

BANISHMENT OF GERMANS

Soviet Frees Ten But Gives Border Escort

Moscow, To-day.

Ten Germans who have been under arrest in the Soviet for several months, have been banished from Russia.

This is revealed in an official statement sent to the German Embassy here.

Four of the men belonged to the "Moscow group" and six to the "Leningrad group." — Trans-Ocean.

CHIEF OFFICER'S GRAPHIC STORY

(Continued from Page 1)

ported floating mines off the French coast and the French Navy began mine-sweeping operations last week to remove the danger to shipping.

Port Vendres is in the French Pyrenees Province, on the Spanish border, where several floating mines have been reported from time to time in the past.

NO DANGER NOW

Port Vendres, Later.

Earlier fears for the safety of the "Llandover Castle" have now been set at rest.

The liner is now only showing a slight list and the pumps are now keeping the water under control.

The liner is standing in Vendres Roads, about five hundred yards from the shore.

Out of the passengers and 127 members of the crew none have been disembarked hitherto.

A tug is expected to arrive this morning, when the captain will decide whether to dock at Port Vendres quay and effect repairs or proceed to a larger port, probably Marseilles. — Reuter.

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PUISNE JUDGE'S PROMOTION

Court Felicitations This Morning

In the Summary Court this morning, Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden, Puisne Judge, was the recipient of felicitations from members of the legal profession on his promotion to be Judge of H. M. Supreme Court, Kenya Colony.

Mr. A. el Arculli, senior solicitor in Court, congratulated His Lordship and said that they would be sorry to lose him but their best wishes would go with him.

Replying, Mr. Hayden thanked Mr. Arculli and said he owed a deep debt of gratitude to the legal profession for their unfailing courtesy to him in the discharge of his duties and their generosity in overlooking his shortcomings.

He was naturally glad of his promotion but was sorry to leave Hong Kong and would carry with him the highest regard for the members of the legal profession.

Among solicitors present were: — Mr. A. el Arculli, Mr. F. E. Nash, Mr. D. McCallum, Mr. G. S. Ford, Mr. F. I. Zimmern, Mr. W. A. Mackinlay, Mr. F. G. Nigel, Mr. C. D'Almada, Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios, Mr. R. H. Cole and Mr. M. A. da Silva.

DANGEROUS DRIVING

For driving in a dangerous manner in Hennessy Road on February 14, Wong Ping-kuen, driver of public car No. 426 was this morning fined \$30 by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy.

Sergeant Youe said that the defendant was seen travelling at the rate of 45 miles an hour in Hennessy Road by Mr. K. A. Bidmead A.S.P., and at the Gilman service station he was overtaken and signalled to stop. Instead he swerved into Stewart Road and then into Lockhart Road. The roads were crowded at the time.